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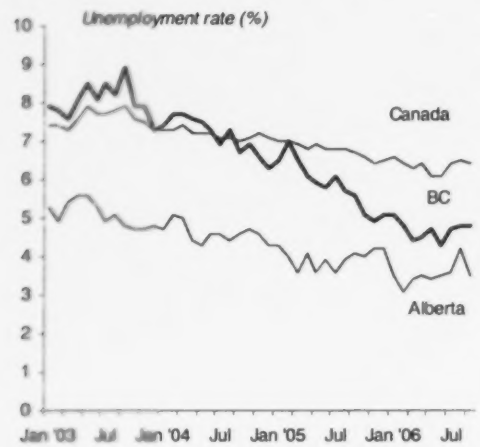
BC's unemployment rate remains near historic low as robust job growth continues



British Columbia's unemployment rate dropped to 4.6% in October, as robust job growth of 0.6% (+13,300 workers) was more than enough to absorb a 0.4% increase in the size of the labour force. Together, BC and Alberta (where there were 22,600 (+1.2%) net new jobs) accounted for about 70% of the increase in employment at the national level.

BC's unemployment rate remains near its historical low of 4.3% (recorded in June), while Alberta's rate dropped to 3.0%, the lowest level on record since 1976, the first year for which provincial data are available. Both provinces are currently experiencing labour shortages, although the situation is more extreme in Alberta. Competition for scarce workers is already driving prices up in Alberta, where the annual inflation rate has ranged between 3.2% and 4.7% since the beginning of the year, nearly double the national average. Since 1987, weekly earnings in Alberta have increased 45%, to an average of $816 in October.

BC has not yet reached the stage where inflationary pressures are kicking in. However, the demand for workers may be having an effect on small businesses that must compete for workers with larger organizations that have deeper pockets and can afford to pay more generous wages.

In BC, worker's earnings have increased just 20% during the last nine years, well below the 28% increase for the country as a whole. Historically, wages paid in BC have been higher than the national average, but slower wage growth in BC since the mid-1990s has eliminated the wage gap. Average weekly earnings in the province are currently equal to the national average, at $733 per week.

Average weekly earnings soaring in Alberta, but BC workers have made only modest gains

Goods and service sectors hiring workers

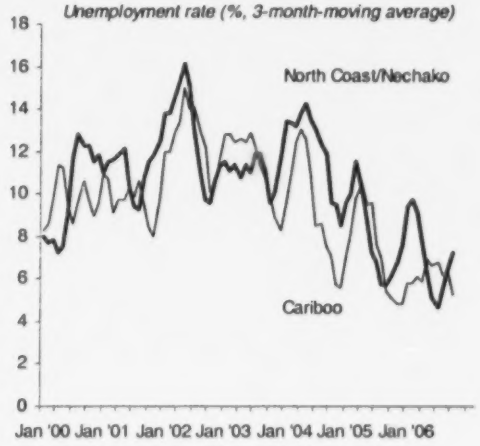
The goods and service sectors took on more workers in October, with both posting 0.6% increases in employment. On the goods side, the job growth was concentrated in utilities (+12.4%) and manufacturing (+2.3%). Other industries in the sector reduced the size of their workforce in October. Among service industries, public administration (+4.7%) and accommodation & food services (+3.1%) posted the strongest increases. Retail & wholesale trade (-1.5%) and transportation (-1.5%) were the only service-sector industries where employment declined.

The number of public sector jobs advanced 0.2%, while private sector employers took on 0.8% more workers. Both men (+0.5%) and women (+0.7%) benefited from October's job growth. However, there were fewer women (-1.3%) with full-time work, and as a result full-time employment dropped 0.3%. On the other hand, the number of women working part-time jumped 5.7%, leading to a big increase in total part-time employment (+4.2%). The youth unemployment rate climbed slightly, rising to 8.2% but the jobless rate for those aged 25 and over fell to 3.9%.

Regional variations persist

Among the regions, jobless rates ranged from 4.3% (3-month-moving average, unadjusted) in Mainland/Southwest to 7.2% in North Coast/Nechako, where the number of jobs and the size of the labour force have been shrinking in tandem. Last month, employment in the region fell 10.9%, while the labour force declined to 9.9% below the October 2005 level. Kootenay (where employment dropped 1.1%) is also experiencing softer labour market conditions. Unemployment rates were up in Cariboo (5.3%), Northeast (5.2%), and North Coast/Nechako (7.2%), but are still well below the levels seen earlier in the decade.

Despite recent increases, unemployment rates in the north and interior remain relatively low



The Nation

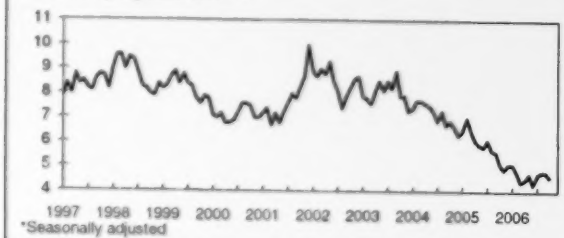
Canada's unemployment rate dropped to 6.2% in October, largely due to strong job growth in the West, which boosted overall employment growth to 0.3% despite Ontario's lackluster performance (+0.0%). The labour force was unchanged from September.

Selected Statistics	Oct-06	Sep-06	Oct-05
BC Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.8	5.1
Canadian Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	6.4	6.6
BC Employment ('000)	2,214	2,201	2,149
BC Labour Force Participation Rate (%)	65.8	65.6	65.3
October % change in employment relative to:	-	0.6	3.0
October % change in labour force relative to:	-	0.4	2.5

1 Summary for October 2006--Actual and Seasonally Adjusted

	Current October 2006		Previous Month September 2006		One Year Ago October 2005		Change from September 2006		Change from October 2005	
	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.	Actual	S.A.
British Columbia										
Working Age Population ('000)	3528.9		3524.0		3467.9		0.1%		1.8%	
Labour Force ('000)	2325.0	2321.7	2311.9	2311.8	2264.9	2264.4	0.6%	0.4%	2.7%	2.5%
Employment ('000)	2228.1	2214.0	2211.0	2200.7	2160.9	2148.7	0.8%	0.6%	3.1%	3.0%
Unemployment ('000)	96.9	107.7	100.9	111.1	104.0	115.7	-4.0%	-3.1%	-6.8%	-6.9%
Employment Rate[1]	63.1%	62.7%	62.7%	62.4%	62.3%	62.0%				
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	4.6%	4.4%	4.8%	4.6%	5.1%				
Participation Rate	65.9%	65.8%	65.6%	65.6%	65.3%	65.3%				
Canada										
Working Age Population ('000)	26,298.9		26,265.5		25,928.4		0.1%		1.4%	
Labour Force ('000)	17,606.7	17,641.2	17,610.4	17,635.9	17,388.7	17,423.2	0.0%	0.0%	1.3%	1.3%
Employment ('000)	16,623.4	16,555.5	16,565.9	16,505.0	16,331.4	16,267.9	0.3%	0.3%	1.8%	1.8%
Unemployment ('000)	983.3	1,085.7	1,044.5	1,131.0	1,057.2	1,155.3	-5.9%	-4.0%	-7.0%	-6.0%
Employment Rate[1]	63.2%	63.0%	63.1%	62.8%	63.0%	62.7%				
Unemployment Rate	5.6%	6.2%	5.9%	6.4%	6.1%	6.6%				
Participation Rate	66.9%	67.1%	67.0%	67.1%	67.1%	67.2%				

BC Unemployment Rate*:



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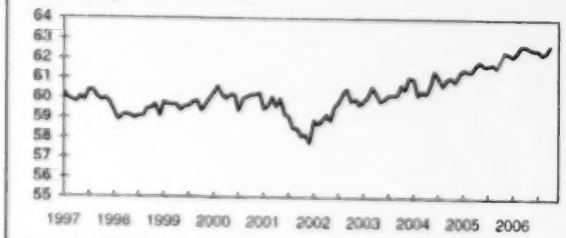

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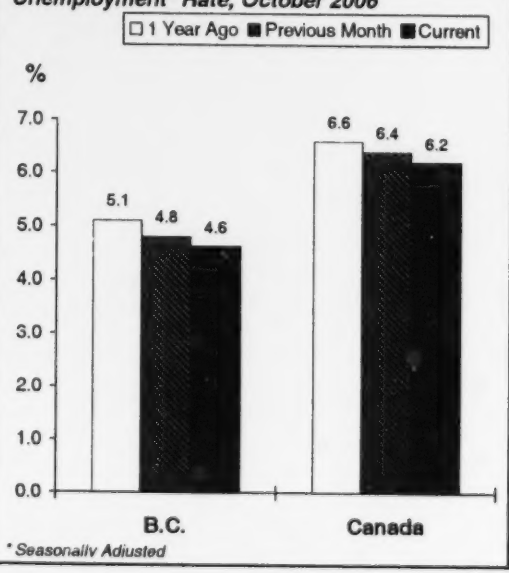
Unemployment* Rate, October 2006



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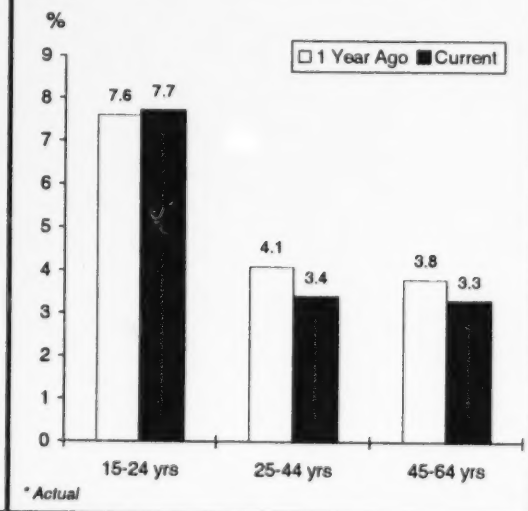
BC Unemployment* Rates by Age, October 2006



*Actual

[1] Employment rate is calculated as employment as a percent of the working age population.

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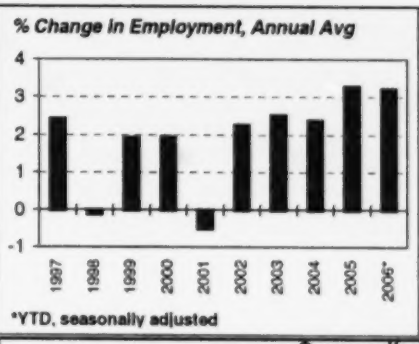
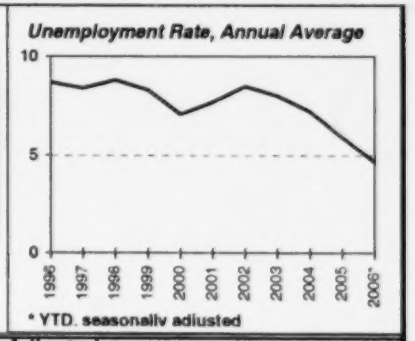
2 BC Monthly Labour Force Data

	Actual								Seasonally Adjusted							
	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate	Labour Force		Employed		Unemployed		Unemployment Rate	Participation Rate
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	(%)	(%)	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	('000)	% Chg*	(%)	(%)
1996	1,988.4		1,816.4		172.0		8.7	65.6								
1997	2,030.6	2.1	1,860.5	2.4	170.1	-1.1	8.4	65.5								
1998	2,038.3	0.4	1,858.4	-0.1	179.9	5.8	8.8	64.9								
1999	2,064.8	1.3	1,894.4	1.9	170.4	-5.3	8.3	65.1								
2000	2,079.9	0.7	1,931.3	1.9	148.6	-12.8	7.1	64.8								
2001	2,082.6	0.1	1,921.6	-0.5	161.1	8.4	7.7	64.0								
2002	2,147.6	3.1	1,965.0	2.3	182.6	13.3	8.5	65.1								
2003	2,190.7	2.0	2,014.7	2.5	176.0	-3.6	8.0	65.6								
2004	2,221.9	1.4	2,062.7	2.4	159.2	-9.5	7.2	65.5								
2005	2,263.4	1.9	2,130.5	3.3	132.9	-16.5	5.9	65.6								
2005 Jan	2,216.7	1.3	2,058.0	2.5	158.8	-11.1	7.2	64.9	2,248.9		2,102.4		146.5		6.5	65.8
Feb	2,241.2	2.9	2,069.8	3.7	171.4	-5.8	7.6	65.5	2,261.6	0.6	2,103.1	0.0	158.5	8.2	7.0	66.1
Mar	2,229.5	1.9	2,080.6	3.2	149.0	-13.3	6.7	65.0	2,250.9	-0.5	2,104.5	0.1	146.4	-7.6	6.5	65.6
Apr	2,231.1	2.3	2,092.4	3.9	138.7	-17.5	6.2	65.0	2,254.1	0.1	2,116.9	0.6	137.1	-6.4	6.1	65.7
May	2,274.9	2.0	2,138.3	3.9	136.6	-20.4	6.0	66.1	2,263.8	0.4	2,130.7	0.7	133.0	-3.0	5.9	65.8
Jun	2,284.7	0.7	2,159.2	2.1	125.5	-18.9	5.5	66.3	2,255.4	-0.4	2,123.8	-0.3	131.6	-1.1	5.8	65.5
Jul	2,307.1	1.7	2,161.4	2.6	145.7	-10.1	6.3	66.9	2,266.7	0.5	2,128.8	0.2	138.0	4.9	6.1	65.7
Aug	2,313.1	1.6	2,166.7	3.5	146.4	-19.8	6.3	66.9	2,266.6	0.0	2,137.0	0.4	129.7	-6.0	5.7	65.6
Sep	2,259.0	1.6	2,142.7	2.7	116.3	-15.2	5.1	65.2	2,259.5	-0.3	2,132.4	-0.2	127.2	-1.9	5.6	65.3
Oct	2,264.9	1.4	2,160.9	3.3	104.0	-26.4	4.6	65.3	2,264.4	0.2	2,148.7	0.8	115.7	-9.0	5.1	65.3
Nov	2,271.2	2.7	2,168.0	4.5	103.2	-24.5	4.5	65.4	2,280.3	0.7	2,169.0	0.9	111.4	-3.7	4.9	65.7
Dec	2,267.7	2.3	2,168.6	3.6	99.0	-19.9	4.4	65.2	2,282.9	0.1	2,167.1	-0.1	115.8	3.9	5.1	65.6
2006 Jan	2,252.5	1.6	2,122.5	3.1	130.0	-18.1	5.8	64.7	2,284.5	0.1	2,166.9	0.0	117.6	1.6	5.1	65.6
Feb	2,260.2	0.8	2,141.7	3.5	118.5	-30.9	5.2	64.8	2,285.1	0.0	2,175.9	0.4	109.2	-7.1	4.8	65.5
Mar	2,267.9	1.7	2,164.9	4.1	102.9	-30.9	4.5	64.9	2,290.8	0.2	2,189.0	0.6	101.8	-6.8	4.4	65.6
Apr	2,273.0	1.9	2,169.1	3.7	104.0	-25.0	4.6	65.0	2,295.7	0.2	2,192.8	0.2	102.9	1.1	4.5	65.6
May	2,315.6	1.8	2,202.6	3.0	113.1	-17.2	4.9	66.1	2,302.0	0.3	2,193.6	0.0	108.4	5.3	4.7	65.7
Jun	2,317.1	1.4	2,226.3	3.1	90.9	-27.6	3.9	66.0	2,289.1	-0.6	2,191.8	-0.1	97.3	-10.2	4.3	65.2
Jul	2,347.5	1.8	2,228.2	3.1	119.3	-18.1	5.1	66.8	2,303.9	0.6	2,195.6	0.2	108.3	11.3	4.7	65.6
Aug	2,349.5	1.6	2,222.3	2.6	127.2	-13.1	5.4	66.8	2,304.1	0.0	2,193.4	-0.1	110.8	2.3	4.8	65.5
Sep	2,311.9	2.3	2,211.0	3.2	100.9	-13.2	4.4	65.6	2,311.8	0.3	2,200.7	0.3	111.1	0.3	4.8	65.6
Oct	2,325.0	2.7	2,228.1	3.1	96.9	-6.8	4.2	65.9	2,321.7	0.4	2,214.0	0.6	107.7	-3.1	4.6	65.8
Nov																
Dec																
Average:																
Jan-Oct05	2,262.2		2,123.0		139.2		6.2	65.7	2,259.2		2,122.8		136.4		6.0	65.6
Jan-Oct06	2,302.0		2,191.7		110.4		4.8	65.7	2,298.9		2,191.4		107.5		4.7	65.6
% Change	1.8		3.2		-20.7				1.8		3.2		-21.2			





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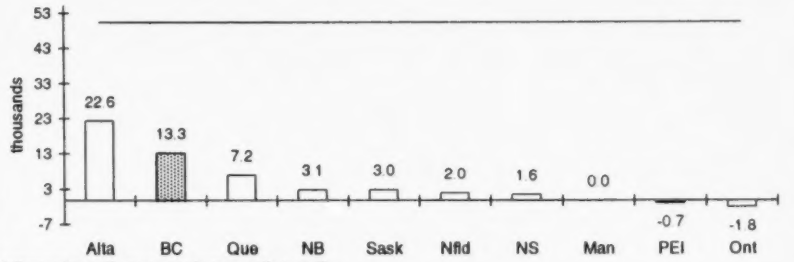
3a Employment ('000) by Province

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	1,816.4	1,405.1	456.8	517.4	5,167.1	3,129.8	305.5	376.9	58.9	187.5	13,421.4
1997	1,860.5	1,451.4	466.2	525.6	5,291.4	3,172.8	309.1	382.0	58.8	188.3	13,706.0
1998	1,858.4	1,509.9	470.5	534.2	5,453.3	3,257.5	315.2	395.3	59.6	192.4	14,046.2
1999	1,894.4	1,544.0	471.6	541.4	5,636.7	3,328.1	325.5	404.0	60.2	201.0	14,406.7
2000	1,931.3	1,584.0	473.5	552.3	5,817.1	3,402.8	331.2	411.4	62.7	198.0	14,764.2
2001	1,921.6	1,630.9	460.3	554.3	5,926.2	3,440.2	330.1	415.2	63.6	203.8	14,946.2
2002	1,965.0	1,670.8	468.3	567.2	6,031.4	3,569.9	343.1	422.9	64.7	207.2	15,310.4
2003	2,014.7	1,716.7	476.1	570.3	6,213.2	3,628.8	343.1	431.2	66.1	212.3	15,672.3
2004	2,062.7	1,757.5	479.7	576.6	6,316.5	3,680.5	350.1	442.2	66.9	214.3	15,947.0
2005	2,130.5	1,784.4	483.5	580.3	6,397.7	3,717.3	350.5	443.1	68.2	214.1	16,169.7

Employment Change('000), October 2006* — *Line represents Canada at 50.5*



** Current month over previous month (ssadj)*

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	2,058.0	1,740.5	473.4	567.9	6,217.0	3,599.5	332.9	426.8	62.8	199.3	15,678.1
Feb	2,069.8	1,748.6	476.3	573.6	6,259.3	3,622.4	333.6	425.3	63.3	197.2	15,769.2
Mar	2,080.6	1,755.7	479.6	569.6	6,247.3	3,620.5	333.6	427.6	63.7	201.5	15,779.8
Apr	2,092.4	1,754.0	476.3	570.6	6,312.6	3,645.9	336.6	434.3	63.5	200.1	15,886.3
May	2,138.3	1,800.7	495.0	587.0	6,458.2	3,698.3	359.9	454.3	70.6	214.6	16,277.0
Jun	2,159.2	1,813.8	498.0	589.4	6,505.1	3,796.3	364.0	457.7	73.3	232.6	16,489.5
Jul	2,161.4	1,814.9	497.3	589.0	6,486.1	3,837.8	368.3	458.3	73.9	242.0	16,529.0
Aug	2,166.7	1,811.9	492.3	587.0	6,507.5	3,814.1	367.7	460.9	73.9	226.3	16,508.5
Sep	2,142.7	1,786.4	480.2	581.8	6,419.5	3,761.0	357.0	443.4	70.9	221.6	16,264.6
Oct	2,160.9	1,791.5	479.9	582.9	6,473.4	3,759.0	351.2	447.1	69.7	215.9	16,331.4
Nov	2,168.0	1,796.6	479.1	583.4	6,459.9	3,734.3	351.7	441.0	67.2	214.0	16,295.1
Dec	2,168.6	1,798.6	474.5	581.9	6,427.1	3,718.2	349.9	439.8	65.9	203.5	16,228.1
2006 Jan	2,122.5	1,780.2	470.8	574.1	6,337.6	3,639.1	342.9	425.0	63.0	193.9	15,949.1
Feb	2,141.7	1,812.8	471.9	577.6	6,340.6	3,667.5	342.4	423.7	63.6	199.9	16,041.7
Mar	2,164.9	1,824.4	474.4	574.2	6,359.6	3,675.3	343.4	428.7	63.2	198.5	16,106.7
Apr	2,169.1	1,821.5	480.0	582.1	6,419.6	3,674.4	345.4	436.4	64.8	202.6	16,195.9
May	2,202.6	1,899.2	496.1	596.5	6,582.9	3,789.4	365.0	451.8	72.7	220.0	16,676.0
Jun	2,226.3	1,908.8	503.4	599.1	6,624.9	3,860.0	373.6	453.5	74.3	230.8	16,854.5
Jul	2,228.2	1,897.8	504.8	593.2	6,608.5	3,887.6	373.0	453.0	73.5	237.1	16,856.8
Aug	2,222.3	1,906.2	501.5	595.1	6,598.2	3,843.5	366.8	453.6	74.5	230.3	16,792.0
Sep	2,211.0	1,886.2	499.1	590.1	6,472.7	3,809.8	357.1	443.4	71.2	225.3	16,565.9
Oct	2,228.1	1,901.7	501.7	590.1	6,505.2	3,805.4	355.5	445.2	69.2	221.4	16,623.4
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Oct05	2,123.0	1,781.8	484.8	579.9	6,388.6	3,715.5	350.5	443.6	68.6	215.1	16,151.3
Jan-Oct06	2,191.7	1,863.9	490.4	587.2	6,485.0	3,765.2	356.5	441.4	69.0	216.0	16,466.2
% Change	3.2	4.6	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.7	-0.5	0.6	0.4	1.9
	3.2	4.4	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.3	1.9	-0.4	0.7	0.2	1.9

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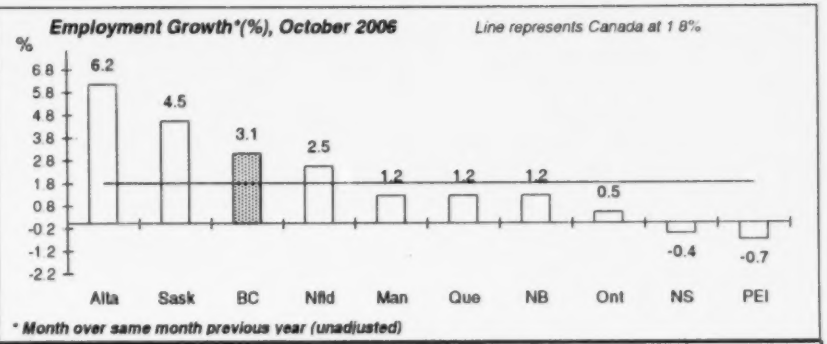
3b Employment Growth by Province (%)

Actual

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	1.7	2.9	-0.3	0.2	1.3	-0.2	-0.7	0.3	3.0	-3.5	0.9
1997	2.4	3.3	2.1	1.6	2.4	1.4	1.2	1.4	-0.2	0.4	2.1
1998	-0.1	4.0	0.9	1.6	3.1	2.7	2.0	3.5	1.4	2.2	2.5
1999	1.9	2.3	0.2	1.3	3.4	2.2	3.3	2.2	1.0	4.5	2.6
2000	1.9	2.6	0.4	2.0	3.2	2.2	1.8	1.8	4.2	-1.5	2.5
2001	-0.5	3.0	-2.8	0.4	1.9	1.1	-0.3	0.9	1.4	2.9	1.2
2002	2.3	2.4	1.7	2.3	1.8	3.8	3.9	1.9	1.7	1.7	2.4
2003	2.5	2.7	1.7	0.5	3.0	1.6	0.0	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.4
2004	2.4	2.4	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.4	2.0	2.6	1.2	0.9	1.8
2005	3.3	1.5	0.8	0.6	1.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	1.9	-0.1	1.4



* Month over same month previous year (unadjusted)

Seasonally Adjusted

	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	0.5	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.7	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1
Feb	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.0	0.3	-0.5	0.1	-0.9	0.1
Mar	0.1	0.2	0.3	-1.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.4	1.2	0.0
Apr	0.6	0.1	-0.8	0.1	0.5	0.0	0.5	0.5	-0.4	-1.6	0.3
May	0.7	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	-0.7	1.1	0.7	-0.4	-0.3	0.2
Jun	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	0.0	0.0	1.0	-2.0	-1.0	-1.0	1.8	0.1
Jul	0.2	0.5	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.5	0.5	-0.2	1.3	0.3	0.2
Aug	0.4	-0.1	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	-0.2	0.5	-0.6	-2.1	0.1
Sep	-0.2	-0.2	-0.7	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	-0.4	-1.1	0.6	1.1	0.0
Oct	0.8	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.4	-0.1	1.0	0.1	0.0	0.4
Nov	0.9	0.2	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.1	1.3	-0.2	0.7	1.4	0.2
Dec	-0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	0.3	1.0	-0.2	-0.1	-2.9	-0.1
2006 Jan	0.0	0.6	0.7	0.5	0.2	-0.2	1.0	0.3	0.1	-0.8	0.2
Feb	0.4	1.4	-0.1	0.0	-0.3	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.4	2.8	0.2
Mar	0.6	0.4	0.2	-0.5	0.5	0.1	0.1	0.5	-1.6	-1.5	0.3
Apr	0.2	0.1	1.0	0.7	0.4	-0.6	0.1	0.5	2.5	1.3	0.1
May	0.0	1.7	-0.3	0.2	0.5	0.8	0.0	-0.4	0.3	0.7	0.6
Jun	-0.1	-0.4	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.4	-1.1	-1.7	-0.6	0.0
Jul	0.2	0.0	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	-0.8	-0.4	-1.0	-1.0	0.0
Aug	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	0.4	-0.2	-0.2	-1.5	-0.1	0.7	1.5	-0.1
Sep	0.3	0.1	1.4	0.0	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.8	0.1
Oct	0.6	1.2	0.6	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.9	0.4	-1.0	0.9	0.3
Nov											
Dec											

Note: growth rates for "actual" data are calculated as month over same month previous year. For seasonally adjusted data, growth rates are calculated as month over previous month.

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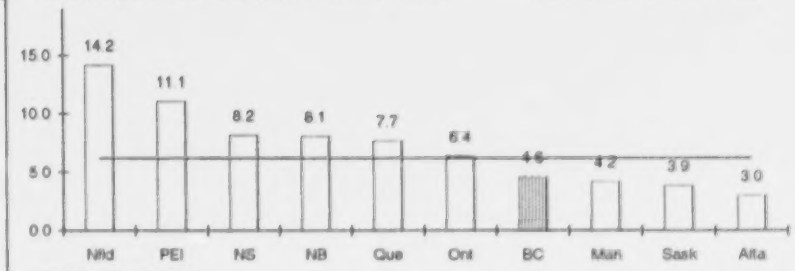
4a Provincial Unemployment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	8.7	6.9	6.7	7.3	9.0	11.9	11.6	12.4	14.7	19.1	9.6
1997	8.4	5.9	6.0	6.5	8.4	11.4	12.7	12.2	15.4	18.4	9.1
1998	8.8	5.6	5.8	5.6	7.2	10.3	12.2	10.5	13.9	17.9	8.3
1999	8.3	5.7	6.1	5.6	6.3	9.3	10.2	9.6	14.3	16.9	7.6
2000	7.1	5.0	5.1	5.0	5.8	8.5	10.0	9.1	12.1	16.7	6.8
2001	7.7	4.6	5.8	5.1	6.3	8.8	11.1	9.7	11.9	16.1	7.2
2002	8.5	5.3	5.7	5.1	7.1	8.6	10.2	9.6	12.0	16.7	7.7
2003	8.0	5.1	5.6	5.0	6.9	9.1	10.3	9.1	11.0	16.5	7.6
2004	7.2	4.6	5.3	5.3	6.8	8.5	9.8	8.8	11.3	15.7	7.2
2005	5.9	3.9	5.1	4.8	6.6	8.3	9.7	8.4	10.8	15.2	6.8

Unemployment Rates(%), October 2006* — *Line represents Canada at 6.2%*



**Seasonally adjusted*

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	7.2	4.8	5.6	5.6	6.7	9.5	11.2	9.9	14.1	16.5	7.5
Feb	7.6	4.2	5.5	5.4	7.0	9.0	10.6	10.7	13.0	17.2	7.5
Mar	6.7	3.5	5.5	5.5	7.3	8.9	10.6	9.8	13.0	16.9	7.4
Apr	6.2	4.2	5.5	5.1	6.6	8.5	11.2	9.2	15.0	18.8	7.0
May	6.0	3.6	4.3	4.7	7.2	8.5	9.6	7.8	9.5	16.7	7.0
Jun	5.5	3.4	4.2	4.3	6.6	7.4	9.0	7.7	7.8	12.5	6.3
Jul	6.3	3.7	4.9	4.7	7.3	7.9	9.3	7.7	9.1	12.1	6.9
Aug	6.3	4.2	5.7	5.4	7.4	8.3	9.2	7.0	8.7	15.2	7.1
Sep	5.1	3.7	5.5	4.4	6.1	7.6	8.5	7.8	8.3	13.2	6.2
Oct	4.6	3.8	4.7	4.1	5.9	7.7	9.7	7.7	9.1	13.9	6.1
Nov	4.5	4.0	4.8	3.8	5.5	7.9	8.6	8.1	10.6	14.7	6.0
Dec	4.4	4.0	4.9	4.2	5.6	8.3	9.1	8.0	12.1	15.8	6.1
2006 Jan	5.8	4.0	5.9	4.8	6.6	9.6	9.8	9.0	14.3	18.8	7.2
Feb	5.2	3.2	5.8	4.7	6.3	8.9	10.6	9.5	14.0	16.7	6.7
Mar	4.5	3.3	5.6	4.5	6.5	9.0	10.2	9.0	15.4	17.4	6.7
Apr	4.6	3.6	5.2	4.9	6.1	8.7	10.7	8.8	14.6	18.9	6.6
May	4.9	3.4	4.4	3.6	6.1	7.6	9.0	8.0	8.8	15.9	6.1
Jun	3.9	3.2	4.1	3.0	5.8	7.2	7.1	7.4	7.0	13.1	5.6
Jul	5.1	3.8	4.6	4.8	7.2	7.8	8.6	7.9	9.4	11.9	6.7
Aug	5.4	4.5	5.8	5.3	7.1	7.8	8.8	7.8	8.4	13.8	6.8
Sep	4.4	3.2	3.9	4.1	6.3	7.3	7.3	7.1	7.8	11.8	5.9
Oct	4.2	2.9	3.3	3.7	5.8	7.0	7.2	7.2	9.2	12.8	5.6
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Oct05	6.2	3.9	5.1	4.9	6.8	8.3	9.9	8.5	10.8	15.3	6.9
Jan-Oct06	4.8	3.5	4.9	4.3	6.4	8.1	8.9	8.2	10.9	15.1	6.4

	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	6.5	4.3	4.8	5.1	6.7	8.5	9.8	8.6	10.5	14.6	7.0
Feb	7.0	4.0	4.9	4.9	6.8	8.2	9.3	9.8	10.3	15.4	7.0
Mar	6.5	3.6	5.1	5.2	6.8	8.3	9.5	8.4	10.3	15.0	6.9
Apr	6.1	4.1	5.0	4.9	6.7	8.0	9.3	8.4	10.6	16.1	6.8
May	5.9	3.6	4.6	5.1	6.8	8.6	8.9	7.8	10.8	15.3	6.9
Jun	5.8	3.9	4.9	4.8	6.7	8.1	9.9	8.8	11.9	14.0	6.8
Jul	6.1	3.6	4.8	4.7	6.7	8.3	9.8	8.0	11.1	14.5	6.8
Aug	5.7	3.9	5.3	4.6	6.7	8.3	9.7	7.5	11.3	16.6	6.8
Sep	5.6	4.1	6.0	4.8	6.3	8.3	10.6	8.6	11.4	15.5	6.7
Oct	5.1	4.0	5.2	4.5	6.4	8.3	10.9	8.6	11.2	15.2	6.6
Nov	4.9	4.2	5.2	4.1	6.1	8.0	9.4	8.3	10.7	14.8	6.4
Dec	5.1	4.2	5.3	4.2	6.2	8.2	9.6	8.5	11.1	15.4	6.5
2006 Jan	5.1	3.5	5.2	4.3	6.5	8.4	8.9	7.8	10.8	16.5	6.6
Feb	4.8	3.1	5.3	4.4	6.2	8.2	9.4	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.4
Mar	4.4	3.4	5.3	4.2	6.1	8.5	9.2	7.8	12.0	15.7	6.3
Apr	4.5	3.5	4.8	4.7	6.2	8.3	9.1	8.1	10.5	15.9	6.4
May	4.7	3.4	4.9	4.2	5.9	7.9	8.6	8.0	10.1	14.8	6.1
Jun	4.3	3.5	4.9	3.6	5.9	8.0	8.0	8.2	10.5	14.8	6.1
Jul	4.7	3.6	4.7	4.7	6.5	8.1	8.9	8.3	11.2	14.6	6.4
Aug	4.8	4.2	5.4	4.5	6.4	7.9	9.1	8.4	10.9	15.1	6.5
Sep	4.8	3.5	4.3	4.4	6.6	8.0	8.9	7.7	10.8	14.1	6.4
Oct	4.6	3.0	3.9	4.2	6.4	7.7	8.1	8.2	11.1	14.2	6.2
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Oct05	6.0	3.9	5.1	4.9	6.7	8.3	9.8	8.5	10.9	15.2	6.8
Jan-Oct06	4.7	3.5	4.9	4.3	6.3	8.1	8.8	8.1	10.9	15.1	6.3

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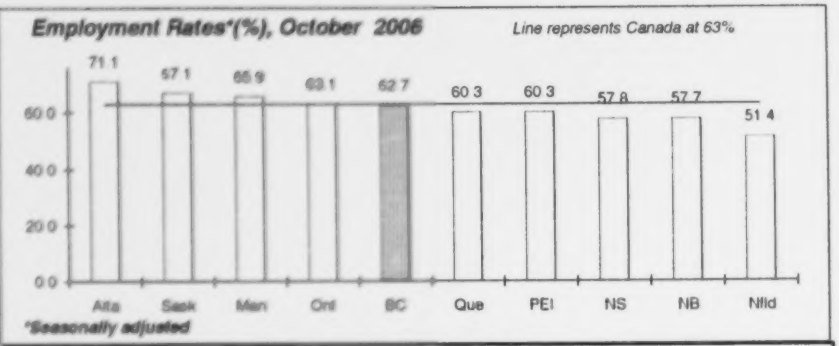
Source: Statistics Canada

4b Provincial Employment Rates (%)

	Actual										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
1996	60.0	67.3	61.0	61.6	59.7	54.6	51.8	52.0	56.4	42.3	58.4
1997	60.0	67.8	62.2	62.3	60.2	55.0	52.1	52.5	55.9	42.9	58.9
1998	59.2	68.5	62.7	63.2	61.2	56.1	53.1	54.1	56.4	44.4	59.7
1999	59.7	68.5	62.8	63.7	62.3	56.9	54.6	55.0	56.6	46.6	60.6
2000	60.2	68.6	63.3	64.5	63.2	57.8	55.4	55.7	58.7	46.1	61.3
2001	59.0	69.0	61.8	64.4	63.0	57.9	55.0	55.9	59.0	47.7	61.1
2002	59.6	69.1	63.1	65.5	62.9	59.5	57.0	56.6	59.5	48.5	61.7
2003	60.3	69.8	64.0	65.3	63.8	60.0	56.7	57.3	60.2	49.5	62.4
2004	60.9	70.1	64.3	65.4	63.8	60.2	57.6	58.4	60.3	49.8	62.7
2005	61.8	69.8	64.6	65.3	63.5	60.1	57.4	58.2	61.1	49.8	62.7



	Seasonally Adjusted										
	BC	Alta	Sask	Man	Ont	Que	NB	NS	PEI	Nfld	CAN
2005 Jan	60.2	68.8	63.3	64.1	62.3	58.5	54.7	56.2	56.5	46.3	61.2
Feb	60.5	69.0	63.7	64.7	62.6	58.9	54.8	56.0	56.9	45.8	61.5
Mar	60.7	69.2	64.1	64.2	62.4	58.8	54.7	56.3	57.2	46.8	61.4
Apr	60.9	69.0	63.6	64.3	63.0	59.1	55.2	57.1	57.0	46.5	61.8
May	62.2	70.7	66.1	66.1	64.3	59.9	59.0	59.8	63.3	49.9	63.2
Jun	62.7	71.1	66.5	66.3	64.6	61.4	59.7	60.2	65.7	54.2	63.9
Jul	62.7	71.0	66.4	66.2	64.4	62.1	60.3	60.3	66.2	56.4	64.0
Aug	62.7	70.7	65.7	66.0	64.4	61.6	60.2	60.5	66.2	52.7	63.8
Sep	61.9	69.6	64.1	65.4	63.5	60.7	58.4	58.2	63.5	51.6	62.8
Oct	62.3	69.6	64.1	65.5	63.9	60.6	57.4	58.7	62.3	50.3	63.0
Nov	62.4	69.6	64.0	65.5	63.7	60.1	57.5	57.9	60.1	49.8	62.8
Dec	62.3	69.5	63.4	65.4	63.3	59.8	57.2	57.7	58.8	47.4	62.4
2006 Jan	60.9	68.6	63.0	64.5	62.3	58.5	56.1	55.8	56.3	45.2	61.3
Feb	61.4	69.6	63.1	64.9	62.3	58.9	56.0	55.6	56.8	46.6	61.6
Mar	62.0	69.9	63.5	64.5	62.4	59.0	56.2	56.2	56.4	46.3	61.8
Apr	62.0	69.6	64.3	65.3	63.0	58.9	56.5	57.2	57.9	47.3	62.1
May	62.9	72.3	66.5	66.9	64.5	60.7	59.7	59.3	64.9	51.4	63.8
Jun	63.4	72.4	67.5	67.1	64.8	61.8	61.1	59.5	66.2	54.0	64.4
Jul	63.4	71.9	67.7	66.5	64.6	62.2	61.0	59.4	65.4	55.5	64.3
Aug	63.1	71.9	67.2	66.6	64.4	61.4	60.0	59.4	66.3	53.9	64.0
Sep	62.7	70.9	66.9	66.1	63.1	60.8	58.4	58.1	63.3	52.7	63.1
Oct	63.1	71.1	67.2	66.1	63.3	60.7	58.2	58.3	61.5	51.9	63.2
Nov											
Dec											
Average:											
Jan-Oct05	61.7	69.9	64.8	65.3	63.5	60.2	57.4	58.3	61.5	50.1	62.7
Jan-Oct06	62.5	70.8	65.7	65.9	63.5	60.3	58.3	57.9	61.5	50.5	63.0

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Source: Statistics Canada

5a BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender - Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)				Employed ('000)				Unemployed ('000)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1996	139.4	533.8	306.8	996.1	26.0	48.8	20.7	96.4	131.6	450.7	231.1	820.3	18.9	40.3	16.0	75.6	271.0	984.5	537.9	1,816.4	44.9	89.1	36.7	172.0
1997	137.5	536.4	318.4	1,007.4	27.8	47.1	20.3	96.0	133.0	461.9	249.3	853.0	20.7	36.1	16.9	74.1	270.6	998.3	567.6	1,860.5	48.6	83.1	37.2	170.1
1998	132.1	525.8	316.7	994.0	31.5	50.8	24.2	107.4	126.6	460.5	266.9	864.4	23.1	35.2	13.9	72.5	258.8	986.3	583.6	1,858.4	54.6	86.0	38.2	179.9
1999	138.2	521.0	333.8	1,011.5	26.5	48.5	22.8	98.8	134.8	461.3	278.2	882.9	19.1	35.9	16.4	71.6	273.0	982.3	611.9	1,894.4	45.6	84.4	39.2	170.4
2000	141.0	522.6	350.4	1,031.3	25.7	37.1	20.6	83.8	138.2	458.2	295.8	900.0	18.5	31.2	15.0	64.8	279.2	980.8	646.2	1,931.3	44.2	68.3	35.6	148.6
2001	140.9	509.8	354.1	1,020.1	27.1	44.5	23.0	95.6	138.2	452.8	301.3	901.4	18.0	32.1	14.9	65.5	279.1	962.5	655.4	1,921.6	45.1	76.6	37.9	161.1
2002	147.8	503.2	365.8	1,037.7	30.2	45.8	26.9	104.1	145.8	452.5	318.1	927.3	22.0	37.4	18.4	78.5	293.6	955.8	683.9	1,965.0	52.2	83.2	45.3	182.6
2003	149.3	502.2	389.7	1,065.8	28.5	39.2	27.0	95.5	149.7	454.6	333.3	948.9	21.8	36.4	21.6	80.5	299.0	956.8	723.0	2,014.7	50.3	75.6	48.5	176.0
2004	153.8	508.2	403.8	1,091.2	25.9	34.4	24.1	85.4	154.0	463.7	342.6	971.5	21.9	30.5	20.8	73.7	307.8	971.9	746.4	2,062.7	47.8	64.9	44.8	159.2
2005	166.5	513.1	424.4	1,130.5	20.3	27.1	21.4	69.8	165.7	457.3	360.8	1,000.0	17.1	26.0	19.5	63.1	332.1	970.4	785.3	2,130.5	37.4	53.1	40.9	132.9
2005 Jan	140.8	506.2	412.8	1,088.3	27.6	37.3	21.2	87.3	153.0	449.5	356.8	969.7	17.5	32.5	21.2	71.4	293.8	955.7	769.6	2,058.0	45.1	69.8	42.4	158.8
Feb	147.6	507.1	412.4	1,092.1	26.4	36.7	27.3	93.1	155.4	443.2	363.4	977.7	19.3	32.8	25.6	78.3	303.0	950.3	775.8	2,069.8	45.7	71.5	52.9	171.4
Mar	146.0	512.2	414.2	1,097.1	23.6	34.5	23.4	82.6	155.9	445.0	367.2	983.5	16.2	31.5	18.7	66.4	301.9	957.2	781.4	2,080.6	39.8	66.0	42.1	149.0
Apr	148.6	508.8	418.4	1,104.2	22.2	27.7	24.6	75.6	151.6	449.3	371.3	988.2	16.3	28.7	18.0	63.1	300.2	958.1	789.7	2,092.4	38.5	56.5	42.6	138.7
May	169.0	516.6	423.7	1,138.7	19.5	26.0	20.9	67.2	165.6	456.2	359.6	999.7	25.8	24.9	18.8	69.4	334.6	972.8	783.2	2,138.3	45.3	50.9	39.7	136.6
Jun	175.2	520.4	424.7	1,150.1	20.9	22.8	20.2	64.7	173.8	458.0	360.8	1,009.1	18.5	26.8	15.4	60.7	349.0	978.4	785.5	2,159.2	39.4	49.6	35.6	125.5
Jul	190.0	516.5	422.2	1,157.6	27.2	23.5	24.3	75.8	180.0	457.3	348.0	1,003.8	24.2	24.9	20.4	69.9	370.0	973.7	770.2	2,161.4	51.4	48.4	44.7	145.7
Aug	184.9	517.8	423.9	1,153.6	22.3	25.8	23.0	71.2	181.8	457.9	353.7	1,013.2	19.0	29.0	26.6	75.1	366.7	975.7	777.6	2,166.7	41.3	54.8	49.7	146.4
Sep	171.3	511.2	434.1	1,141.3	16.2	21.1	20.7	58.3	158.9	460.9	363.4	1,001.4	14.7	22.4	20.5	58.1	330.2	972.1	797.5	2,142.7	30.9	43.5	41.3	116.3
Oct	175.0	508.3	439.5	1,147.8	15.5	22.5	16.8	55.9	168.5	467.5	360.6	1,013.1	12.8	19.2	15.0	48.1	343.4	975.7	800.1	2,160.9	28.3	41.7	31.8	104.0
Nov	173.7	513.8	437.3	1,148.9	10.7	21.6	16.8	51.8	171.5	466.6	365.9	1,019.1	9.7	23.8	17.0	51.4	345.2	980.5	803.2	2,168.0	20.4	45.5	33.8	103.2
Dec	175.8	518.6	429.9	1,146.7	11.6	23.3	17.9	54.2	171.8	476.3	359.4	1,021.9	11.0	15.8	16.8	44.9	347.6	994.9	789.3	2,168.6	22.6	39.1	34.7	99.0
2006 Jan	160.3	506.2	423.3	1,113.1	17.1	30.2	19.0	68.5	165.5	467.7	361.1	1,009.4	12.2	27.1	21.2	61.5	325.8	973.9	784.5	2,122.5	29.4	57.2	40.1	130.0
Feb	166.0	510.4	427.7	1,130.3	16.9	23.7	20.4	63.5	169.8	460.2	364.5	1,011.4	11.9	26.1	16.4	55.0	335.9	970.6	792.1	2,141.7	28.8	49.9	36.8	118.5
Mar	168.8	513.4	432.6	1,143.4	14.8	22.0	15.0	53.4	169.8	461.1	372.0	1,021.5	11.3	23.4	14.0	49.5	338.6	974.5	804.5	2,164.9	26.1	45.4	29.0	102.9
Apr	170.3	512.1	432.4	1,142.2	12.1	21.3	13.7	47.8	168.8	469.7	372.8	1,026.9	17.0	23.1	15.3	56.2	339.1	981.7	805.2	2,169.1	29.1	44.4	29.0	104.0
May	176.1	522.0	434.2	1,162.0	20.4	22.5	14.9	58.7	178.2	472.4	373.9	1,040.6	16.7	23.2	14.0	54.4	354.3	994.4	808.1	2,202.6	37.1	45.7	28.9	113.1
Jun	176.5	526.0	443.1	1,173.4	17.4	16.0	13.6	47.9	189.6	468.6	378.2	1,052.9	11.3	17.7	13.4	42.9	366.1	994.5	821.3	2,226.3	28.7	33.7	27.0	90.9
Jul	191.1	523.5	442.8	1,185.8	26.6	16.8	17.0	61.0	191.3	464.1	373.4	1,042.4	19.7	21.9	15.6	58.3	382.4	987.5	816.2	2,228.2	46.4	38.8	32.7	119.3
Aug	189.7	527.1	442.0	1,187.0	18.1	22.2	17.7	59.7	190.3	461.4	371.3	1,035.3	16.4	25.5	23.4	67.5	380.0	988.4	813.3	2,222.3	34.5	47.7	41.1	127.2
Sep	163.0	535.8	448.4	1,172.3	16.1	17.6	17.4	52.4	175.3	467.5	384.1	1,038.7	13.2	17.8	16.6	48.5	338.2	1,003.3	832.6	2,211.0	29.3	35.4	34.0	100.9
Oct	169.6	529.2	448.9	1,177.1	15.2	18.1	14.6	50.0	176.5	471.9	388.9	1,051.0	13.8	17.4	14.1	46.9	346.1	1,001.2	837.8	2,228.1	29.0	35.5	28.7	96.9
Nov																								
Dec																								
Average:																								
Jan-Oct05	164.8	512.5	422.6	1,127.1	22.1	28.0	22.2	73.2	164.5	454.5	360.5	995.9	18.4	27.3	20.0	66.1	329.3	967.0	783.1	2,123.0	40.6	55.3	42.3	139.2
Jan-Oct06	173.1	520.6	437.5	1,158.7	17.5	21.0	16.3	56.3	177.5	466.5	374.0	1,033.0	14.4	22.3	16.4	54.1	350.7	987.0	811.6	2,191.7	31.8	43.4	32.7	110.4
% Change	5.0	1.6	3.5	2.8	-21.1	-24.8	-26.6	-23.1	7.9	2.6	3.8	3.7	-22.1	-18.2	-18.1	-18.1	6.5	2.1	3.6	3.2	-21.5	-21.5	-22.6	-20.7

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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5b BC Participation Rates and Unemployment Rates by Age and Gender, Actual

	Men								Women								Total							
	Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)				Participation Rate (%)				Unemployment Rate (%)			
	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25-44 Years	45-64 Years	All Ages
1996	65.3	92.3	79.5	72.9	15.7	8.4	6.3	8.8	62.2	78.3	60.4	58.5	12.6	8.2	6.5	8.4	63.8	85.3	70.0	65.6	14.2	8.3	6.4	8.7
1997	63.7	91.9	79.2	72.1	16.8	8.1	6.0	8.7	61.6	78.3	62.5	59.1	13.5	7.2	6.3	8.0	62.6	85.1	70.8	65.5	15.2	7.7	6.1	8.4
1998	62.3	91.5	76.9	71.1	19.3	8.8	7.1	9.8	59.5	78.1	63.5	58.9	15.4	7.1	5.0	7.7	60.9	84.8	70.2	64.9	17.4	8.0	6.1	8.8
1999	62.0	91.4	77.8	71.0	16.1	8.5	6.4	8.9	60.5	78.9	64.2	59.3	12.4	7.2	5.6	7.5	61.3	85.1	71.0	65.1	14.3	7.9	6.0	8.3
2000	61.9	90.8	78.3	70.5	15.4	6.6	5.6	7.5	60.9	78.2	65.3	59.3	11.8	6.4	4.8	6.7	61.4	84.4	71.8	64.8	13.7	6.5	5.2	7.1
2001	61.2	90.6	77.1	69.5	16.1	8.0	6.1	8.6	59.7	77.9	64.0	58.6	11.5	6.6	4.7	6.8	60.5	84.2	70.5	64.0	13.9	7.4	5.5	7.7
2002	63.8	90.6	77.6	70.3	17.0	8.3	6.9	9.1	62.9	79.4	65.6	60.1	13.1	7.6	5.5	7.8	63.4	84.9	71.5	65.1	15.1	8.0	6.2	8.5
2003	63.0	90.4	79.6	70.7	16.0	7.2	6.5	8.2	63.2	80.5	66.7	60.7	12.7	7.4	6.1	7.8	63.1	85.4	73.1	65.6	14.4	7.3	6.3	8.0
2004	62.8	91.2	79.1	70.6	14.4	6.3	5.6	7.3	63.9	81.5	65.9	60.7	12.5	6.2	5.7	7.1	63.3	86.3	72.4	65.5	13.4	6.3	5.7	7.2
2005	64.2	90.9	79.9	70.8	10.9	5.0	4.8	5.8	65.5	79.7	66.6	60.7	9.4	5.4	5.1	5.9	64.8	85.3	73.2	65.6	10.1	5.2	5.0	5.9
2005 Jan	58.4	91.6	78.9	69.9	16.4	6.9	4.9	7.4	61.5	79.6	67.2	59.9	10.3	6.7	5.6	6.9	59.9	85.6	73.0	64.9	13.3	6.8	5.2	7.2
Feb	60.2	92.0	79.7	70.4	15.2	7.1	6.2	7.9	63.0	78.7	69.0	60.7	11.0	6.9	6.6	7.4	61.5	85.3	74.3	65.5	13.1	7.0	6.4	7.6
Mar	58.6	92.1	79.1	70.0	13.9	6.3	5.3	7.0	61.9	78.7	68.2	60.2	9.4	6.6	4.8	6.3	60.2	85.3	73.6	65.0	11.6	6.5	5.1	6.7
Apr	58.9	90.4	79.9	69.9	13.0	5.2	5.6	6.4	60.4	78.9	68.7	60.2	9.7	6.0	4.6	6.0	59.6	84.6	74.2	65.0	11.4	5.6	5.1	6.2
May	65.0	91.4	79.9	71.3	10.3	4.8	4.7	5.6	68.8	79.4	66.5	61.2	13.5	5.2	5.0	6.5	66.8	85.3	73.2	66.1	11.9	5.0	4.8	6.0
Jun	67.5	91.5	79.8	71.7	10.7	4.2	4.5	5.3	69.0	80.0	66.0	61.1	9.6	5.5	4.1	5.7	68.2	85.7	72.8	66.3	10.1	4.8	4.3	5.5
Jul	74.6	90.9	79.9	72.7	12.5	4.4	5.4	6.1	73.2	79.5	64.4	61.3	11.8	5.2	5.5	6.5	73.9	85.1	72.1	66.9	12.2	4.7	5.5	6.3
Aug	71.0	91.5	79.7	72.1	10.8	4.7	5.1	5.8	71.8	80.3	66.3	62.0	9.5	6.0	7.0	6.9	71.4	85.8	72.9	66.9	10.1	5.3	6.0	6.3
Sep	64.1	89.6	80.9	70.4	8.6	4.0	4.6	4.9	62.0	79.7	66.8	60.2	8.5	4.6	5.3	5.5	63.1	84.6	73.7	65.2	8.6	4.3	4.9	5.1
Oct	65.0	89.3	81.0	70.6	8.1	4.2	3.7	4.6	64.6	80.2	65.1	60.2	7.1	3.9	4.0	4.5	64.8	84.7	73.0	65.3	7.6	4.1	3.8	4.6
Nov	62.9	90.0	80.4	70.3	5.8	4.0	3.7	4.3	64.5	80.8	66.2	60.7	5.4	4.9	4.4	4.8	63.7	85.3	73.2	65.4	5.6	4.4	4.0	4.5
Dec	63.8	91.0	79.1	70.2	6.2	4.3	4.0	4.5	65.1	81.0	64.9	60.4	6.0	3.2	4.5	4.2	64.4	86.0	71.9	65.2	6.1	3.8	4.2	4.4
2006 Jan	60.4	90.1	77.8	68.9	9.6	5.6	4.3	5.8	63.2	81.5	65.7	60.5	6.9	5.5	5.5	5.7	61.8	85.7	71.7	64.7	8.3	5.5	4.9	5.8
Feb	62.3	89.7	78.7	69.6	9.2	4.4	4.6	5.3	64.6	80.1	65.3	60.2	6.5	5.4	4.3	5.2	63.4	84.8	71.9	64.8	7.9	4.9	4.4	5.2
Mar	62.5	89.8	78.4	69.6	8.1	4.1	3.4	4.5	64.4	79.8	66.1	60.4	6.2	4.8	3.6	4.6	63.4	84.7	72.2	64.9	7.2	4.5	3.5	4.5
Apr	62.1	89.4	77.9	69.1	6.6	4.0	3.1	4.0	66.0	81.0	66.3	61.0	9.1	4.7	3.9	5.2	64.0	85.2	72.0	65.0	7.9	4.3	3.5	4.6
May	66.8	91.2	78.2	70.8	10.4	4.1	3.3	4.8	69.2	81.5	66.0	61.5	8.6	4.7	3.6	5.0	68.0	86.3	72.1	66.1	9.5	4.4	3.5	4.9
Jun	65.9	90.7	79.4	70.7	9.0	3.0	3.0	3.9	71.3	79.9	66.5	61.5	5.6	3.6	3.4	3.9	68.5	85.2	72.9	66.0	7.3	3.3	3.2	3.9
Jul	73.9	90.4	79.7	72.1	12.2	3.1	3.7	4.9	74.8	79.8	65.9	61.7	9.3	4.5	4.0	5.3	74.4	85.1	72.7	66.8	10.8	3.8	3.9	5.1
Aug	70.5	91.9	79.4	72.0	8.7	4.0	3.9	4.8	73.3	80.0	66.7	61.7	7.9	5.2	5.9	6.1	71.9	85.9	73.0	66.8	8.3	4.6	4.8	5.4
Sep	60.8	92.6	80.3	70.6	9.0	3.2	3.7	4.3	66.7	79.7	67.5	60.8	7.0	3.7	4.1	4.5	63.7	86.1	73.9	65.6	8.0	3.4	3.9	4.4
Oct	62.7	91.5	79.7	70.6	8.2	3.3	3.1	4.1	67.4	80.3	67.7	61.3	7.3	3.6	3.5	4.3	65.0	85.9	73.7	65.9	7.7	3.4	3.3	4.2
Nov																								
Dec																								
Average:																								
Jan-Oct05	64.3	91.0	79.9	70.9	12.0	5.2	5.0	6.1	65.6	79.5	66.8	60.7	10.0	5.7	5.3	6.2	64.9	85.2	73.3	65.7	11.0	5.4	5.1	6.2
Jan-Oct06	64.8	90.7	79.0	70.4	9.1	3.9	3.6	4.6	68.1	80.4	66.4	61.1	7.4	4.6	4.2	5.0	66.4	85.5	72.6	65.7	8.3	4.2	3.9	4.8

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

5c BC Employment and Unemployment by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men						Women						Total					
	Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)			Employed ('000)			Unemployed ('000)		
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages
1996	139.4	856.8	996.1	26.0	70.4	96.4	131.6	688.7	820.3	18.9	56.7	75.6	271.0	1,545.4	1,816.4	44.9	127.1	172.0
1997	137.5	869.9	1,007.4	27.8	68.2	96.0	133.0	720.0	853.0	20.7	53.3	74.1	270.6	1,589.9	1,860.5	48.6	121.5	170.1
1998	132.1	861.9	994.0	31.5	76.0	107.4	126.6	737.8	864.4	23.1	49.4	72.5	258.8	1,599.6	1,858.4	54.6	125.3	179.9
1999	138.2	873.3	1,011.5	26.5	72.3	98.8	134.8	748.1	882.9	19.1	52.5	71.6	273.0	1,621.4	1,894.4	45.6	124.9	170.4
2000	141.0	890.3	1,031.3	25.7	58.1	83.8	138.2	761.7	900.0	18.5	46.3	64.8	279.2	1,652.1	1,931.3	44.2	104.4	148.6
2001	140.9	879.2	1,020.1	27.1	68.5	95.6	138.2	763.3	901.4	18.0	47.5	65.5	279.1	1,642.5	1,921.6	45.1	116.0	161.1
2002	147.8	889.9	1,037.7	30.2	74.0	104.1	145.8	781.5	927.3	22.0	56.5	78.5	293.6	1,671.4	1,965.0	52.2	130.4	182.6
2003	149.3	916.5	1,065.8	28.5	67.1	95.5	149.7	799.2	948.9	21.8	58.7	80.5	299.0	1,715.7	2,014.7	50.3	125.7	176.0
2004	153.8	937.4	1,091.2	25.9	59.5	85.4	154.0	817.5	971.5	21.9	51.8	73.7	307.8	1,754.9	2,062.7	47.8	111.3	159.2
2005	166.5	964.0	1,130.5	20.3	49.5	69.8	165.7	834.4	1,000.0	17.1	46.0	63.1	332.1	1,798.4	2,130.5	37.4	95.5	132.9
2005 Jan	152.7	965.3	1,118.1	25.6	52.7	78.4	159.7	824.6	984.3	17.1	51.1	68.2	312.4	1,790.0	2,102.4	42.7	103.8	146.5
Feb	157.7	957.2	1,114.9	24.8	57.4	82.2	161.0	827.2	988.2	20.8	55.6	76.4	318.7	1,784.4	2,103.1	45.6	113.0	158.5
Mar	154.5	960.9	1,115.4	23.8	53.1	76.9	162.3	826.8	989.1	18.9	50.6	69.5	316.8	1,787.7	2,104.5	42.7	103.7	146.4
Apr	156.3	965.4	1,121.7	23.7	48.4	72.1	159.4	835.8	995.3	16.8	48.3	65.1	315.7	1,801.2	2,116.9	40.5	96.6	137.1
May	167.2	966.2	1,133.4	17.8	47.3	65.1	161.9	835.4	997.3	23.5	44.4	67.9	329.1	1,801.6	2,130.7	41.3	91.7	133.0
Jun	165.8	963.6	1,129.3	21.9	45.9	67.7	167.9	826.6	994.5	18.1	45.8	63.9	333.7	1,790.2	2,123.8	39.9	91.7	131.6
Jul	169.8	958.8	1,128.6	21.5	52.8	74.3	167.1	833.1	1,000.2	18.0	45.7	63.7	336.9	1,791.9	2,128.8	39.5	98.5	138.0
Aug	167.3	959.7	1,127.0	20.1	48.2	68.3	169.3	840.6	1,010.0	15.4	46.0	61.4	336.6	1,800.3	2,137.0	35.5	94.2	129.7
Sep	174.8	957.4	1,132.2	17.2	50.8	68.0	163.9	836.3	1,000.1	14.4	44.7	59.2	338.7	1,793.7	2,132.4	31.6	95.6	127.2
Oct	176.4	963.4	1,139.8	17.7	48.3	66.0	171.5	837.4	1,008.9	13.4	36.3	49.7	348.0	1,800.7	2,148.7	31.1	84.6	115.7
Nov	176.4	974.0	1,150.4	12.8	44.1	57.0	172.5	846.1	1,018.6	12.1	42.3	54.4	348.9	1,820.1	2,169.0	24.9	86.4	111.4
Dec	177.3	976.7	1,154.0	14.2	44.7	59.0	170.6	842.5	1,013.1	16.3	40.6	56.8	347.9	1,819.1	2,167.1	30.5	85.3	115.8
2006 Jan	173.8	971.4	1,145.2	15.8	44.1	59.9	172.0	849.7	1,021.7	12.8	45.0	57.7	345.8	1,821.1	2,166.9	28.5	89.1	117.6
Feb	176.5	978.0	1,154.5	15.5	39.1	54.6	174.7	846.7	1,021.5	13.2	41.3	54.6	351.3	1,824.7	2,175.9	28.7	80.4	109.2
Mar	178.5	983.8	1,162.3	15.0	34.1	49.1	175.6	851.1	1,026.7	13.9	38.8	52.7	354.1	1,834.9	2,189.0	28.9	72.9	101.8
Apr	179.6	981.3	1,161.0	13.3	32.6	45.9	176.9	854.9	1,031.9	16.6	40.4	57.0	356.6	1,836.3	2,192.8	29.9	73.0	102.9
May	175.6	981.5	1,157.1	17.3	38.2	55.5	174.9	861.7	1,036.5	14.5	38.4	52.9	350.5	1,843.1	2,193.6	31.8	76.6	108.4
Jun	168.4	984.3	1,152.7	17.1	33.4	50.5	181.4	857.8	1,039.1	11.8	35.0	46.8	349.8	1,842.1	2,191.8	28.9	68.4	97.3
Jul	171.3	985.6	1,156.9	19.3	37.5	56.8	178.2	860.6	1,038.7	13.4	38.1	51.5	349.5	1,846.2	2,195.6	32.7	75.6	108.3
Aug	172.0	988.5	1,160.6	17.3	40.3	57.6	178.1	854.7	1,032.8	13.1	40.1	53.1	350.2	1,843.2	2,193.4	30.4	80.4	110.8
Sep	166.9	995.3	1,162.2	17.1	43.9	61.1	180.4	858.1	1,038.5	12.8	37.2	50.0	347.3	1,853.3	2,200.7	30.0	81.1	111.1
Oct	170.2	997.8	1,168.0	17.4	41.3	58.7	179.8	866.2	1,046.0	14.0	35.0	49.0	350.0	1,864.0	2,214.0	31.4	76.3	107.7
Nov																		
Dec																		
Average:																		
Jan-Oct05	164.3	961.8	1,126.0	21.4	50.5	71.9	164.4	832.4	996.8	17.6	46.9	64.5	328.7	1,794.2	2,122.8	39.0	97.3	136.4
Jan-Oct06	173.3	984.8	1,158.1	16.5	38.5	55.0	177.2	856.2	1,033.3	13.6	38.9	52.5	350.5	1,840.9	2,191.4	30.1	77.4	107.5
% Change	5.5	2.4	2.8	-22.9	-23.8	-23.5	7.8	2.9	3.7	-22.8	-16.9	-18.6	6.6	2.6	3.2	-22.8	-20.5	-21.2

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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Source: Statistics Canada

5d BC Participation, Unemployment and Employment Rates by Age and Gender, Seasonally Adjusted

	Men									Women									Total								
	Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)			Part Rate (%)			Unempl Rate (%)			Empl Rate (%)	
	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years	All Ages	15-24 Years	25+ Years
1996	65.3	74.5	72.9	15.7	7.6	8.8	55.1	68.8	66.5	62.2	57.8	58.5	12.6	7.6	8.4	54.4	53.4	53.6	63.8	66.0	65.6	14.2	7.6	8.7	54.7	61.0
1997	63.7	73.9	72.1	16.8	7.3	8.7	52.9	68.5	65.8	61.6	58.6	59.1	13.5	6.9	8.0	53.3	54.6	54.4	62.6	66.1	65.5	15.2	7.1	8.4	53.1	61.4
1998	62.3	72.9	71.1	19.3	8.1	9.8	50.3	67.0	64.2	59.5	58.8	58.9	15.4	6.3	7.7	50.3	55.1	54.4	60.9	65.7	64.9	17.4	7.3	8.8	50.3	60.9
1999	62.0	72.8	71.0	16.1	7.6	8.9	52.0	67.2	64.6	60.5	59.1	59.3	12.4	6.6	7.5	53.0	55.2	54.9	61.3	65.8	65.1	14.3	7.2	8.3	52.5	61.1
2000	61.9	72.2	70.5	15.4	6.1	7.5	52.3	67.8	65.2	60.9	58.9	59.3	11.8	5.7	6.7	53.7	55.6	55.3	61.4	65.4	64.8	13.7	5.9	7.1	53.0	61.6
2001	61.2	71.3	69.5	16.1	7.2	8.6	51.3	66.1	63.6	59.7	58.3	58.6	11.5	5.9	6.8	52.8	54.9	54.6	60.5	64.7	64.0	13.9	6.6	7.7	52.1	60.4
2002	63.8	71.6	70.3	17.0	7.7	9.1	53.0	66.1	63.9	62.9	59.5	60.1	13.1	6.7	7.8	54.7	55.5	55.4	63.4	65.4	65.1	15.1	7.2	8.5	53.8	60.7
2003	63.0	72.2	70.7	16.0	6.8	8.2	52.9	67.3	64.8	63.2	60.2	60.7	12.7	6.8	7.8	55.2	56.1	55.9	63.1	66.1	65.6	14.4	6.8	8.0	54.0	61.6
2004	62.8	72.2	70.6	14.4	6.0	7.3	53.7	67.9	65.5	63.9	60.0	60.7	12.5	6.0	7.1	56.0	56.5	56.4	63.3	66.0	65.5	13.4	6.0	7.2	54.8	62.0
2005	64.2	72.1	70.8	10.9	4.9	5.8	57.2	68.6	66.7	65.5	59.8	60.7	9.4	5.2	5.9	59.4	56.6	57.1	64.8	65.8	65.6	10.1	5.0	5.9	58.2	62.5
2005 Jan	61.8	73.1	71.2	14.3	5.2	6.6	52.9	69.3	66.5	63.8	60.0	60.6	9.7	5.8	6.5	57.6	56.5	56.7	62.8	66.4	65.8	12.0	5.5	6.5	55.2	62.8
Feb	63.2	72.8	71.1	13.6	5.7	6.9	54.6	68.7	66.2	65.5	60.4	61.2	11.4	6.3	7.2	58.0	56.6	56.8	64.3	66.4	66.1	12.5	6.0	7.0	56.3	62.5
Mar	61.6	72.6	70.7	13.4	5.2	6.4	53.4	68.8	66.1	65.2	59.9	60.7	10.4	5.8	6.6	58.4	56.4	56.8	63.3	66.1	65.6	11.9	5.5	6.5	55.8	62.5
Apr	62.1	72.5	70.7	13.2	4.8	6.0	53.9	69.0	66.4	63.4	60.3	60.8	9.5	5.5	6.1	57.3	57.0	57.0	62.7	66.2	65.7	11.4	5.1	6.1	55.6	62.9
May	63.7	72.3	70.9	9.6	4.7	5.4	57.6	69.0	67.0	66.6	59.9	60.9	12.7	5.0	6.4	58.2	56.8	57.1	65.1	66.0	65.8	11.2	4.8	5.9	57.9	62.8
Jun	64.5	71.9	70.7	11.7	4.5	5.7	57.0	68.7	66.7	66.7	59.3	60.5	9.7	5.2	6.0	60.2	56.2	56.8	65.6	65.5	65.5	10.7	4.9	5.8	58.6	62.3
Jul	65.7	72.0	70.9	11.2	5.2	6.2	58.3	68.2	66.5	66.3	59.6	60.7	9.7	5.2	6.0	59.9	56.5	57.1	66.0	65.6	65.7	10.5	5.2	6.1	59.1	62.2
Aug	64.2	71.6	70.3	10.7	4.8	5.7	57.4	68.2	66.3	66.1	60.0	61.0	8.3	5.2	5.7	60.6	56.9	57.5	65.1	65.7	65.6	9.5	5.0	5.7	58.9	62.4
Sep	65.7	71.5	70.5	9.0	5.0	5.7	59.8	67.9	66.5	63.7	59.6	60.2	8.1	5.1	5.6	58.5	56.5	56.9	64.7	65.4	65.3	8.5	5.1	5.6	59.2	62.1
Oct	66.2	71.6	70.7	9.1	4.8	5.5	60.2	68.2	66.8	65.9	59.0	60.1	7.2	4.2	4.7	61.1	56.5	57.3	66.1	65.1	65.3	8.2	4.5	5.1	60.7	62.2
Nov	64.5	71.9	70.7	6.8	4.3	4.7	60.2	68.8	67.3	65.7	59.9	60.8	6.6	4.8	5.1	61.4	57.0	57.7	65.1	65.8	65.7	6.7	4.5	4.9	60.8	62.8
Dec	65.2	72.0	70.9	7.4	4.4	4.9	60.4	68.9	67.4	66.5	59.4	60.6	8.7	4.6	5.3	60.7	56.7	57.3	65.9	65.6	65.6	8.1	4.5	5.1	60.6	62.6
2006 Jan	64.6	71.5	70.3	8.3	4.3	5.0	59.2	68.4	66.8	65.7	60.1	61.0	6.9	5.0	5.3	61.2	57.1	57.7	65.1	65.7	65.6	7.6	4.7	5.1	60.2	62.6
Feb	65.4	71.5	70.4	8.1	3.8	4.5	60.1	68.7	67.3	66.8	59.6	60.7	7.0	4.7	5.1	62.1	56.8	57.7	66.1	65.4	65.5	7.6	4.2	4.8	61.1	62.6
Mar	65.9	71.4	70.5	7.8	3.4	4.1	60.8	69.1	67.6	67.3	59.6	60.9	7.3	4.4	4.9	62.4	57.0	57.9	66.6	65.4	65.6	7.5	3.8	4.4	61.6	62.9
Apr	65.6	71.0	70.1	6.9	3.2	3.8	61.1	68.8	67.5	68.7	59.9	61.3	8.6	4.5	5.2	62.8	57.2	58.1	67.1	65.3	65.6	7.7	3.8	4.5	62.0	62.9
May	65.6	71.3	70.3	9.0	3.7	4.6	59.7	68.6	67.1	67.2	60.1	61.2	7.7	4.3	4.9	62.1	57.5	58.3	66.4	65.6	65.7	8.3	4.0	4.7	60.9	63.0
Jun	63.1	71.0	69.7	9.2	3.3	4.2	57.2	68.7	66.7	68.5	59.5	60.9	6.1	3.9	4.3	64.3	57.2	58.3	65.7	65.1	65.2	7.6	3.6	4.3	60.7	62.8
Jul	64.7	71.3	70.2	10.1	3.7	4.7	58.2	68.7	66.9	67.9	59.8	61.1	7.0	4.2	4.7	63.2	57.3	58.2	66.3	65.4	65.6	8.6	3.9	4.7	60.6	62.9
Aug	64.3	71.6	70.3	9.1	3.9	4.7	58.4	68.8	67.0	67.8	59.5	60.8	6.9	4.5	4.9	63.1	56.8	57.8	66.0	65.4	65.5	8.0	4.2	4.8	60.7	62.6
Sep	62.5	72.2	70.5	9.3	4.2	5.0	56.7	69.1	67.0	68.5	59.4	60.8	6.6	4.2	4.6	63.9	56.9	58.0	65.4	65.6	65.6	8.0	4.2	4.8	60.2	62.9
Oct	63.7	72.0	70.6	9.3	4.0	4.8	57.8	69.2	67.2	68.6	59.7	61.1	7.2	3.9	4.5	63.7	57.4	58.4	66.1	65.7	65.8	8.2	3.9	4.6	60.6	63.1
Nov																										
Dec																										
Average:																										
Jan-Oct05	63.9	72.2	70.8	11.6	5.0	6.0	56.5	68.6	66.5	65.3	59.8	60.7	9.7	5.3	6.1	59.0	56.6	57.0	64.6	65.8	65.6	10.6	5.2	6.0	57.7	62.5
Jan-Oct06	64.5	71.5	70.3	8.7	3.8	4.5	58.9	68.8	67.1	67.7	59.7	61.0	7.1	4.4	4.8	62.9	57.1	58.0	66.1	65.5	65.6	7.9	4.0	4.7	60.9	62.8

NOTE: due to relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

6 Employment by Full-Time/Part-Time Status

	Men				Women				Total			
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total	Part-time as % of Total
1996	887.4	108.8	996.1	10.9	563.4	256.8	820.3	31.3	1,450.8	365.6	1,816.4	20.1
1997	893.5	113.9	1,007.4	11.3	580.2	272.8	853.0	32.0	1,473.7	386.7	1,860.5	20.8
1998	870.1	123.9	994.0	12.5	590.2	274.2	864.4	31.7	1,460.3	398.0	1,858.4	21.4
1999	882.5	129.0	1,011.5	12.8	606.1	276.8	882.9	31.4	1,488.6	405.8	1,894.4	21.4
2000	914.1	117.2	1,031.3	11.4	619.2	280.8	900.0	31.2	1,533.3	398.0	1,931.3	20.6
2001	896.7	123.4	1,020.1	12.1	620.9	280.5	901.4	31.1	1,517.6	404.0	1,921.6	21.0
2002	891.8	145.9	1,037.7	14.1	624.6	302.8	927.3	32.7	1,516.4	448.7	1,965.0	22.8
2003	929.7	136.1	1,065.8	12.8	635.2	313.6	948.9	33.0	1,564.9	449.7	2,014.7	22.3
2004	960.1	131.0	1,091.2	12.0	670.7	300.9	971.5	31.0	1,630.8	431.9	2,062.7	20.9
2005	1,000.8	129.7	1,130.5	11.5	693.0	307.0	1,000.0	30.7	1,693.9	436.7	2,130.5	20.5
	seasonally adjusted											
2005 Jan	1,002.2	115.9	1,118.1	10.4	685.5	298.8	984.3	30.4	1,687.7	414.7	2,102.4	19.7
Feb	992.0	122.9	1,114.9	11.0	683.1	305.1	988.2	30.9	1,675.1	428.0	2,103.1	20.4
Mar	985.5	129.9	1,115.4	11.6	686.6	302.5	989.1	30.6	1,672.1	432.4	2,104.5	20.5
Apr	999.7	121.9	1,121.7	10.9	682.3	313.0	995.3	31.4	1,682.0	435.0	2,116.9	20.5
May	1,009.7	123.8	1,133.4	10.9	692.5	304.8	997.3	30.6	1,702.2	428.5	2,130.7	20.1
Jun	985.7	143.6	1,129.3	12.7	685.2	309.2	994.5	31.1	1,670.9	452.9	2,123.8	21.3
Jul	995.9	132.7	1,128.6	11.8	702.7	297.4	1,000.2	29.7	1,698.6	430.1	2,128.8	20.2
Aug	990.1	136.9	1,127.0	12.1	699.1	310.9	1,010.0	30.8	1,689.2	447.8	2,137.0	21.0
Sep	997.4	134.8	1,132.2	11.9	691.9	308.2	1,000.1	30.8	1,689.4	443.0	2,132.4	20.8
Oct	1,006.7	133.1	1,139.8	11.7	694.6	314.3	1,008.9	31.2	1,701.3	447.4	2,148.7	20.8
Nov	1,018.1	132.3	1,150.4	11.5	708.0	310.6	1,018.6	30.5	1,726.1	442.9	2,169.0	20.4
Dec	1,027.5	126.5	1,154.0	11.0	702.1	311.0	1,013.1	30.7	1,729.6	437.5	2,167.1	20.2
2006 Jan	1,018.7	126.5	1,145.2	11.0	717.8	303.9	1,021.7	29.7	1,736.5	430.4	2,166.9	19.9
Feb	1,004.1	150.3	1,154.5	13.0	709.3	312.2	1,021.5	30.6	1,713.4	462.5	2,175.9	21.3
Mar	1,016.0	146.3	1,162.3	12.6	714.3	312.4	1,026.7	30.4	1,730.3	458.7	2,189.0	21.0
Apr	1,019.9	141.1	1,161.0	12.2	726.7	305.2	1,031.9	29.6	1,746.6	446.3	2,192.8	20.4
May	1,019.6	137.5	1,157.1	11.9	730.1	306.4	1,036.5	29.6	1,749.6	444.0	2,193.6	20.2
Jun	1,012.7	140.0	1,152.7	12.1	731.0	308.1	1,039.1	29.7	1,743.7	448.1	2,191.8	20.4
Jul	1,020.2	136.7	1,156.9	11.8	726.6	312.1	1,038.7	30.0	1,746.8	448.8	2,195.6	20.4
Aug	1,025.0	135.5	1,160.6	11.7	735.6	297.3	1,032.8	28.8	1,760.6	432.8	2,193.4	19.7
Sep	1,028.3	133.9	1,162.2	11.5	742.9	295.6	1,038.5	28.5	1,771.2	429.5	2,200.7	19.5
Oct	1,033.0	135.0	1,168.0	11.6	733.5	312.5	1,046.0	29.9	1,766.5	447.5	2,214.0	20.2
Nov												
Dec												
Average:												
Jan-Oct05	996.5	129.6	1,126.0	11.5	690.4	306.4	996.8	30.7	1,686.9	436.0	2,122.8	20.5
Jan-Oct06	1,019.8	138.3	1,158.1	11.9	726.8	306.6	1,033.3	29.7	1,746.5	444.9	2,191.4	20.3
% Change	2.3	6.7	2.8		5.3	0.0	3.7		3.5	2.0	3.2	

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Source: Statistics Canada

7a BC Employment by Industry

	All Industries		Total Goods Producing Industries		Agriculture		Other Primary		Utilities		Manufac-turing		Construc-tion	
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1996	1,816.4		408.2		30.7		55.1		10.3		192.8		119.3	
1997	1,860.5	2.4	417.3	2.2	34.0	10.7	54.0	-2.0	9.9	-3.9	196.2	1.8	123.1	3.2
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	408.5	-2.1	33.0	-2.9	51.3	-5.0	11.1	12.1	195.9	-0.2	117.2	-4.8
1999	1,894.4	1.9	393.8	-3.6	28.1	-14.8	48.5	-5.5	11.1	0.0	191.8	-2.1	114.3	-2.5
2000	1,931.3	1.9	406.3	3.2	29.7	5.7	52.7	8.7	10.3	-7.2	202.5	5.6	111.1	-2.8
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	382.3	-5.9	25.5	-14.1	40.7	-22.8	10.5	1.9	194.9	-3.8	110.7	-0.4
2002	1,965.0	2.3	392.2	2.6	29.0	13.7	37.6	-7.6	11	4.8	196.6	0.9	118.1	6.7
2003	2,014.7	2.5	416.4	6.2	32.9	13.4	45.5	21.0	11.3	2.7	206.8	5.2	119.8	1.4
2004	2,062.7	2.4	436.9	4.9	36.9	12.2	35.6	-21.8	9.2	-18.6	211.2	2.1	144.0	20.2
2005	2,130.5	3.3	452.7	3.6	38.7	4.9	37.5	5.3	10.3	12.0	198.2	-6.2	168.0	16.7
	seasonally adjusted													
2005 Jan	2,102.4		458.9		39.6		37.5		8.1		209.4		164.3	
Feb	2,103.1	0.0	460.6	0.4	40.4	2.0	38.7	3.2	9.5	17.3	206.7	-1.3	165.5	0.7
Mar	2,104.5	0.1	449.2	-2.5	39.5	-2.2	36.1	-6.7	10.2	7.4	199.5	-3.5	164.0	-0.9
Apr	2,116.9	0.6	455.5	1.4	40.7	3.0	40.1	11.1	10.4	2.0	196.1	-1.7	168.3	2.6
May	2,130.7	0.7	452.0	-0.8	38.6	-5.2	41.4	3.2	12.9	24.0	194.3	-0.9	164.9	-2.0
Jun	2,123.8	-0.3	450.4	-0.4	39.2	1.6	40.5	-2.2	13.3	3.1	191.4	-1.5	166.0	0.7
Jul	2,128.8	0.2	458.4	1.8	42.6	8.7	35.3	-12.8	13.0	-2.3	199.6	4.3	167.9	1.1
Aug	2,137.0	0.4	447.6	-2.4	37.9	-11.0	37.1	5.1	11.2	-13.8	192.6	-3.5	168.8	0.5
Sep	2,132.4	-0.2	443.6	-0.9	35.6	-6.1	35.8	-3.5	10.3	-8.0	195.5	1.5	166.3	-1.5
Oct	2,148.7	0.8	443.2	-0.1	36.7	3.1	37.0	3.4	9.7	-5.8	192.7	-1.4	167.1	0.5
Nov	2,169.0	0.9	457.3	3.2	34.3	-6.5	35.0	-5.4	8.2	-15.5	207.1	7.5	172.7	3.4
Dec	2,167.1	-0.1	457.0	-0.1	39.6	15.5	36.4	4.0	7.3	-11.0	193.4	-6.6	180.4	4.5
2006 Jan	2,166.9	0.0	443.2	-3.0	34.2	-13.6	40.6	11.5	8.6	17.8	191.4	-1.0	168.3	-6.7
Feb	2,175.9	0.4	460.8	4.0	36.0	5.3	39.2	-3.4	8.0	-7.0	204.3	6.7	173.3	3.0
Mar	2,189.0	0.6	467.7	1.5	36.4	1.1	39.8	1.5	7.2	-10.0	207.1	1.4	177.2	2.3
Apr	2,192.8	0.2	459.9	-1.7	35.8	-1.6	39.0	-2.0	6.6	-8.3	201.0	-2.9	177.4	0.1
May	2,193.6	0.0	459.9	0.0	36.0	0.6	40.2	3.1	8.1	22.7	201.6	0.3	174.1	-1.9
Jun	2,191.8	-0.1	449.5	-2.3	32.2	-10.6	41.5	3.2	8.8	8.6	191.0	-5.3	176.0	1.1
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	463.6	3.1	34.1	5.9	40.2	-3.1	9.2	4.5	196.4	2.8	183.6	4.3
Aug	2,193.4	-0.1	459.1	-1.0	33.6	-1.5	44.6	10.9	9.0	-2.2	188.4	-4.1	183.5	-0.1
Sep	2,200.7	0.3	463.5	1.0	34.0	1.2	47.0	5.4	8.9	-1.1	190.8	1.3	182.7	-0.4
Oct	2,214.0	0.6	466.3	0.6	33.6	-1.2	46.5	-1.1	10.0	12.4	195.1	2.3	181.0	-0.9
Nov														
Dec														
Average:														
Jan-Oct05	2,122.8		451.9		39.1		38.0		10.9		197.8		166.3	
Jan-Oct06	2,191.4		459.4		34.6		41.9		8.4		196.7		177.7	
% Change	3.2		1.6		-11.5		10.3		-22.3		-0.5		6.9	

NOTE: Monthly percent changes are calculated as month over previous month.

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Source: Statistics Canada

7b BC Employment by Industry

	Total Service Producing Industries		Transport and Warehousing		Retail and Wholesale Trade		Finance & Related		Community and Personal Service								Public Administration	
									Profess., Scient. & Tech Services		Education		Health & Social Services		Accommod., Food & Bev.		Other Service			
	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg	Emp ('000)	% Chg
1996	1,408.2		100.3		291.2		124.0		108.2		118.4		183.3		140.8		235.9		106.1	
1997	1,443.2	2.5	108.0	7.7	297.7	2.2	127.7	3.0	112.1	3.6	120.3	1.6	191.3	4.4	142.2	1.0	243.2	3.1	100.7	-5.1
1998	1,449.9	0.5	105.6	-2.2	289.7	-2.7	122.3	-4.2	122.8	9.5	118.3	-1.7	197.4	3.2	146.8	3.2	253.2	4.1	93.8	-6.9
1999	1,500.5	3.5	115.9	9.8	304.8	5.2	121.0	-1.1	135.8	10.6	127.3	7.6	193.3	-2.1	149.1	1.6	260.8	3.0	92.5	-1.4
2000	1,525.0	1.6	116.9	0.9	300.8	-1.3	118.3	-2.2	135.8	0.0	136.6	7.3	201.2	4.1	154.5	3.6	268.4	2.9	92.4	-0.1
2001	1,539.3	0.9	112.4	-3.8	303.3	0.8	120.9	2.2	139.2	2.5	138.3	1.2	196.8	-2.2	163.7	6.0	275.1	2.5	89.5	-3.1
2002	1,572.8	2.2	112.9	0.4	324.9	7.1	123.3	2.0	136.1	-2.2	139.3	0.7	211.6	7.5	162.5	-0.7	274.1	-0.4	88.1	-1.6
2003	1,598.3	1.6	119.6	5.9	327.8	0.9	124.5	1.0	139.3	2.4	140.1	0.6	213.3	0.8	159.4	-1.9	281.2	2.6	93.0	5.6
2004	1,625.8	1.7	116.5	-2.6	315.8	-3.7	129.2	3.8	146.3	5.0	135.9	-3.0	219.2	2.8	175.3	10.0	290.4	3.3	97.2	4.5
2005	1,677.8	3.2	118.7	1.9	334.6	6.0	132.9	2.9	163.6	11.8	146.1	7.5	217.4	-0.8	175.8	0.3	293.6	1.1	95.1	-2.2
	seasonally adjusted																			
2005 Jan	1,643.5		114.9		321.4		128.3		155.9		139.1		220.4		177.1		292.7		93.8	
Feb	1,642.5	-0.1	113.5	-1.2	322.2	0.2	130.9	2.0	161.7	3.7	143.3	3.0	218.9	-0.7	166.8	-5.8	291.1	-0.5	93.9	0.1
Mar	1,655.3	0.8	114.2	0.6	328.0	1.8	137.3	4.9	163.1	0.9	143.5	0.1	216.4	-1.1	166.0	-0.5	292.1	0.3	94.8	1.0
Apr	1,661.4	0.4	110.7	-3.1	323.2	-1.5	131.7	-4.1	167.2	2.5	149.2	4.0	213.7	-1.2	178.5	7.5	292.1	0.0	95.3	0.5
May	1,678.7	1.0	119.0	7.5	329.1	1.8	134.9	2.4	167.3	0.1	149.2	0.0	208.3	-2.5	177.2	-0.7	290.7	-0.5	103.1	8.2
Jun	1,673.4	-0.3	118.1	-0.8	321.4	-2.3	139.8	3.6	171.5	2.5	151.4	1.5	209.7	0.7	173.3	-2.2	292.0	0.4	96.3	-6.6
Jul	1,670.4	-0.2	124.0	5.0	323.4	0.6	135.6	-3.0	163.8	-4.5	153.9	1.7	211.9	1.0	179.5	3.6	283.3	-3.0	95.1	-1.2
Aug	1,689.4	1.1	122.9	-0.9	338.4	4.6	137.0	1.0	164.3	0.3	149.5	-2.9	220.2	3.9	174.3	-2.9	286.6	1.2	96.2	1.2
Sep	1,688.8	0.0	124.9	1.6	342.4	1.2	127.4	-7.0	158.1	-3.8	148.3	-0.8	220.7	0.2	177.4	1.8	294.7	2.8	94.9	-1.4
Oct	1,705.5	1.0	121.6	-2.6	359.8	5.1	129.2	1.4	159.6	0.9	139.9	-5.7	225.1	2.0	178.9	0.8	298.6	1.3	92.8	-2.2
Nov	1,711.7	0.4	120.8	-0.7	353.1	-1.9	131.9	2.1	166.6	4.4	142.0	1.5	225.7	0.3	178.6	-0.2	301.8	1.1	91.2	-1.7
Dec	1,710.0	-0.1	118.4	-2.0	351.4	-0.5	131.1	-0.6	164.5	-1.3	146.1	2.9	218.2	-3.3	181.4	1.6	305.1	1.1	93.8	2.9
2006 Jan	1,723.7	0.8	124.2	4.9	352.0	0.2	128.0	-2.4	166.5	1.2	152.0	4.0	210.6	-3.5	180.3	-0.6	312.7	2.5	97.4	3.8
Feb	1,715.2	-0.5	128.7	3.6	361.1	2.6	129.4	1.1	171.6	3.1	150.2	-1.2	213.2	1.2	174.8	-3.1	292.4	-6.5	93.6	-3.9
Mar	1,721.3	0.4	126.1	-2.0	358.9	-0.6	132.7	2.6	166.1	-3.2	153.1	1.9	224.3	5.2	161.8	-7.4	304.0	4.0	94.3	0.7
Apr	1,733.0	0.7	123.8	-1.8	365.3	1.8	129.5	-2.4	171.4	3.2	152.4	-0.5	224.1	-0.1	166.8	3.1	305.0	0.3	94.8	0.5
May	1,733.7	0.0	122.2	-1.3	364.5	-0.2	132.3	2.2	168	-2.0	151.4	-0.7	237.3	5.9	167.1	0.2	298.6	-2.1	92.2	-2.7
Jun	1,742.3	0.5	124.3	1.7	369.4	1.3	136.4	3.1	161.3	-4.0	154.5	2.0	243.7	2.7	167.4	0.2	298.3	-0.1	87.0	-5.6
Jul	1,732.1	-0.6	114.7	-7.7	349.1	-5.5	141.7	3.9	162.3	0.6	160.2	3.7	245.4	0.7	165.1	-1.4	300.3	0.7	93.3	7.2
Aug	1,734.3	0.1	115.1	0.3	347.9	-0.3	145.1	2.4	174	7.2	155.5	-2.9	242.1	-1.3	168.7	2.2	303.4	1.0	82.4	-11.7
Sep	1,737.2	0.2	115.2	0.1	350.2	0.7	141.1	-2.8	170.3	-2.1	156.9	0.9	238.1	-1.7	171.5	1.7	307.9	1.5	85.9	4.2
Oct	1,747.7	0.6	113.5	-1.5	345.1	-1.5	143.4	1.6	170.5	0.1	159.6	1.7	238.9	0.3	176.9	3.1	309.9	0.6	89.9	4.7
Nov																				
Dec																				
Average:																				
Jan-Oct05	1,670.9		118.4		330.9		133.2		163.3		146.7		216.5		174.9		291.4		95.6	
Jan-Oct06	1,732.1		120.8		356.4		136.0		168.2		154.6		231.8		170.0		303.3		91.1	
% Change	3.7		2.0		7.7		2.1		3.0		5.3		7.0		-2.8		4.1		-4.7	

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Source: Statistics Canada

8 BC Employment and Unemployment Rate by Occupation, Actual

	Management		Business Finance & Admin.		Natural & Applied Sciences		Health		Social Sci. Education Govt Service & Religion		Art Culture Recreation & Sport		Sales & Service		Trades Transport & Equipment Operators		Occupations Unique to Primary		Occupations Unique to Processing, Mfg & Utilities		All Occupations	
	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %	Emp ('000)	Unemp %
1996	186.0	3.3	327.0	3.7	98.5	4.0	91.1	2.3	143.9	3.1	56.8	5.3	460.6	7.2	297.1	9.1	71.9	14.5	83.5	8.4	1,816.4	8.7
1997	180.0	2.9	339.9	3.7	103.1	3.3	97.9	1.8	141.8	3.4	56.3	6.5	477.7	5.8	311.6	7.1	68.9	15.5	83.3	8.3	1,860.5	8.4
1998	192.8	2.6	340.5	3.2	108.3	4.4	100.0	1.5	138.6	4.1	57.6	5.4	478.9	6.5	288.8	9.3	68.8	16.1	84.1	8.5	1,858.4	8.8
1999	195.6	2.4	344.7	3.4	124.1	3.4	97.7	1.7	143.1	2.7	66.6	4.0	485.5	6.8	287.6	8.1	64.1	14.6	85.3	6.8	1,894.4	8.3
2000	200.3	1.8	336.0	3.2	124.0	2.4	104.5	0.6	151.3	3.1	61.5	4.8	501.0	5.5	286.3	7.6	70.4	13.5	95.9	6.1	1,931.3	7.1
2001	171.6	2.6	340.2	4.1	118.5	4.7	102.3	1.8	149.0	3.2	59.8	5.7	537.4	5.5	285.9	7.7	61.4	13.5	95.6	8.8	1,921.6	7.7
2002	173.7	2.8	333.5	4.2	118.0	5.1	113.7	2.0	161.7	2.9	64.8	6.5	557.6	6.0	284.9	7.9	60.9	14.9	96.3	8.9	1,965.0	8.5
2003	182.1	1.9	351.5	4.1	126.6	6.1	117.2	1.8	162.5	3.2	67.0	6.6	540.4	6.2	297.3	7.1	72.9	12.5	97.3	6.8	2,014.7	8.0
2004	192.9	2.6	353.1	3.8	120.6	5.0	119.1	1.6	155.6	3.9	73.3	5.2	556.2	5.9	319.5	5.9	69.6	10.9	102.8	7.0	2,062.7	7.2
2005	193.0	2.3	383.0	2.9	136.1	3.0	118.6	1.2	172.4	2.5	71.3	4.8	558.0	4.7	330.8	4.5	71.3	9.5	96.1	6.1	2,130.5	5.9
2005 Jan	184.5	2.5	375.6	3.0	129.2	3.5	124.2	1.5	159.2	2.6	64.8	7.7	543.4	6.7	311.8	8.4	59.5	15.6	105.8	4.9	2,058.0	7.2
Feb	186.8	2.5	379.5	2.8	126.7	5.0	122.4	1.1	166.8	3.1	58.4	2.0	546.4	7.0	320.1	6.8	62.7	14.9	100.0	7.0	2,069.8	7.6
Mar	177.6	2.8	385.4	2.4	125.3	2.2	111.4	1.2	176.3	3.3	66.2	2.5	551.6	6.1	325.0	6.0	64.6	11.1	97.1	7.9	2,080.6	6.7
Apr	190.2	2.6	375.6	3.3	139.5	1.7	110.0	1.5	172.3	2.5	65.8	1.9	552.9	4.5	322.8	5.5	69.0	10.7	94.4	8.9	2,092.4	6.2
May	183.4	2.9	401.0	3.5	139.3	3.7	104.6	0.9	180.4	1.3	65.8	5.7	558.1	4.3	332.8	3.9	76.9	9.4	96.0	5.6	2,138.3	6.0
Jun	176.7	2.5	391.2	3.7	142.4	3.7	115.7	1.7	182.4	0.7	78.3	4.6	556.5	3.2	342.6	3.4	83.4	6.8	90.1	9.0	2,159.2	5.5
Jul	187.1	2.9	394.2	3.3	142.9	2.3	119.0	0.4	161.2	4.0	69.0	8.6	556.2	4.6	349.1	3.2	84.9	5.8	97.9	6.8	2,161.4	6.3
Aug	189.7	1.4	390.8	4.1	144.8	2.0	122.9	0.8	163.1	5.7	69.0	7.8	562.3	5.3	344.8	3.6	83.1	7.3	96.2	4.1	2,166.7	6.3
Sep	193.2	2.6	384.2	2.0	139.3	2.3	129.2	1.0	172.4	2.1	70.0	4.9	559.3	3.7	329.0	3.4	73.0	9.3	93.0	5.3	2,142.7	5.1
Oct	207.4	2.4	377.2	2.6	126.0	3.0	124.8	1.3	179.6	1.4	81.3	4.7	571.5	3.4	325.3	3.6	77.0	6.0	90.8	4.9	2,160.9	4.6
Nov	220.9	1.4	366.1	2.9	136.3	3.8	126.8	1.4	175.3	1.6	84.1	3.3	567.2	4.0	333.8	2.8	59.5	10.1	97.9	2.9	2,168.0	4.5
Dec	218.2	1.3	374.7	1.8	141.7	2.3	112.4	1.1	179.5	2.3	83.2	2.9	570.3	3.3	332.6	3.8	61.8	10.2	94.2	5.2	2,168.6	4.4
2006 Jan	205.8	2.0	374.7	2.8	150.6	2.5	112.6	2.0	175.6	1.1	77.9	4.9	563.0	4.3	322.9	6.0	56.5	14.1	82.8	7.9	2,122.5	5.8
Feb	214.0	1.7	375.9	2.3	152.6	2.4	116.6	1.5	175.2	2.3	79.2	2.3	543.7	4.2	331.7	5.0	62.8	10.9	90.1	6.7	2,141.7	5.2
Mar	211.7	1.6	369.1	2.7	146.5	2.6	110.2	1.3	183.3	2.7	82.4	3.3	549.3	3.4	347.7	3.7	68.9	7.6	95.9	2.9	2,164.9	4.5
Apr	204.6	0.9	372.3	2.7	157.0	1.1	113.8	1.7	172.9	1.9	75.7	2.4	560.2	3.5	346.1	4.0	74.1	7.6	92.3	3.0	2,169.1	4.6
May	203.8	1.3	375.9	2.9	155.2	2.9	127.0	1.4	180.2	2.2	79.2	2.2	560.2	3.4	345.2	4.6	77.5	9.6	98.6	2.2	2,202.6	4.9
Jun	202.7	0.4	373.4	2.2	152.7	3.0	134.7	2.2	178.6	2.1	77.4	0.6	576.1	2.6	359.6	3.3	79.1	8.3	91.9	3.4	2,226.3	3.9
Jul	204.9	1.3	376.1	2.9	146.3	3.0	140.4	1.1	161.4	4.0	72.6	2.6	567.0	3.8	376.2	4.3	82.5	7.5	100.8	4.1	2,228.2	5.1
Aug	209.3	2.1	368.9	3.0	148.7	2.3	149.0	0.9	157.6	9.9	68.8	5.5	561.1	4.6	372.9	3.2	86.4	4.4	99.6	3.3	2,222.3	5.4
Sep	205.6	3.0	362.4	2.2	155.6	2.0	146.1	1.7	175.9	2.7	73.6	3.3	556.3	4.3	358.9	3.0	74.0	5.0	102.7	3.3	2,211.0	4.4
Oct	209.3	2.3	370.1	1.6	157.1	1.6	145.8	0.9	178.7	2.4	72.2	5.0	579.9	3.7	336.9	3.2	75.4	6.5	102.7	4.7	2,228.1	4.2
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:																						
Jan-Oct05	187.7	2.5	385.5	3.1	135.5	2.9	118.4	1.2	171.4	2.7	68.9	5.0	555.8	4.9	330.3	4.8	73.4	9.7	96.1	6.4	2,123.0	6.2
Jan-Oct06	207.2	1.7	371.9	2.6	152.2	2.3	129.6	1.5	173.9	3.1	75.9	3.2	561.7	3.8	349.8	4.0	73.7	8.2	95.7	4.2	2,191.7	4.8
% Change	10.4		-3.5		12.3		9.5		1.5		10.2		1.1		5.9		0.4		-0.4		3.2	

NOTES: 1. Occupation specific Unemployment Rates include only those unemployed who worked in the past year. The "All Occupations" rate incorporates total unemployed persons which includes an "Occupation Unclassified" category.

2. Due to the relatively small sample sizes from which disaggregated data are derived, caution should be used in the interpretation of month-to-month changes in the estimates.

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9 Employment and Unemployment Rate by Region and Metropolitan Area

	British Columbia		Vancouver		Victoria		Abbotsford		Development Regions: Vancouver Island/ Coast		Mainland/ Southwest		Thompson-Okanagan		Kootenay		Cariboo		North Coast & Nechako		Northeast	
	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %	Emp. ('000)	Unemp. %
1996	1,816.4	8.7	946.5	7.9	142.7	8.6	62.7	11.4	308.7	9.4	1071.4	8.2	200.3	10.5	65.8	8.7	86.2	8.6	51.7	7.5	32.3	7.2
1997	1,860.5	8.4	966.4	8.2	149.8	7.6	68.2	8.0	322.0	8.7	1098.9	8.2	206.1	8.3	65.3	9.3	83.3	9.8	51.8	9.0	33.1	4.6
1998	1,858.4	8.8	970.8	8.0	147.2	8.7	66.9	10.1	315.5	9.7	1103.9	8.1	207.4	8.2	70.0	12.0	82.7	14.5	47.3	9.7	31.6	NA
1999	1,894.4	8.3	996.0	7.7	155.3	6.6	66.9	7.6	330.0	7.9	1130.1	7.7	206.1	9.6	69.4	9.3	81.4	11.6	46.7	8.8	30.7	8.9
2000	1,931.3	7.1	1,032.1	5.8	155.3	6.7	68.3	7.5	327.4	7.8	1164.6	6.1	210.3	9.3	70.8	10.0	79.1	9.9	47.3	10.2	31.8	5.9
2001	1,921.6	7.7	1,039.1	6.6	150.8	6.3	71.4	6.7	307.3	9.2	1175.0	6.7	210.2	9.3	70.4	9.7	79.4	9.7	46.6	11.2	32.5	6.1
2002	1,965.0	8.5	1,072.1	7.7	155.7	7.0	75.2	7.5	317.4	8.7	1,216.7	7.7	208.1	9.4	66.6	10.0	78.0	12.7	44.9	12.6	33.2	9.0
2003	2,014.7	8.0	1,103.5	7.3	158.7	6.2	74.9	7.5	319.1	8.6	1,251.4	7.3	218.8	8.8	67.4	11.5	78.2	11.1	44.8	11.3	34.9	6.4
2004	2,062.7	7.2	1,127.5	6.7	162.0	5.3	78.5	6.4	334.2	7.9	1,275.3	6.7	229.7	6.6	67.1	9.2	80.7	9.1	42.4	11.6	33.3	5.4
2005	2,130.5	5.9	1,155.7	5.7	169.3	4.5	78.3	5.5	350.0	6.3	1,307.3	5.7	244.0	5.3	69.2	6.1	80.1	7.4	45.7	8.1	34.3	4.7
	3- month moving average, actual, ending in:																					
2005 Jan	2,075.5	6.3	1,136.1	6.0	162.2	5.1	75.3	6.9	335.8	7.0	1,275.2	6.0	233.9	5.7	71.5	7.8	81.3	6.9	44.5	9.6	33.4	4.9
Feb	2,073.8	6.8	1,141.0	6.3	162.6	5.3	74.2	7.1	334.8	7.8	1,278.7	6.3	233.1	6.7	68.9	8.7	80.1	8.1	43.9	10.0	34.5	4.4
Mar	2,069.4	7.2	1,142.3	6.7	163.0	5.6	75.8	6.4	331.3	8.6	1,284.1	6.6	229.9	6.6	68.0	7.9	77.8	9.8	43.3	11.5	35.0	4.9
Apr	2,080.9	6.8	1,146.1	6.3	165.6	4.9	76.7	5.9	334.6	7.9	1,292.3	6.3	229.8	6.3	68.8	8.1	76.1	10.5	43.9	10.2	35.5	4.1
May	2,103.8	6.3	1,151.6	6.1	169.0	4.1	77.5	5.8	341.7	6.5	1,301.8	6.1	234.3	5.7	69.5	6.3	76.0	9.5	45.1	8.7	35.4	5.6
Jun	2,130.0	5.9	1,156.8	6.0	171.3	3.5	77.7	5.8	351.5	5.2	1,308.8	5.9	240.9	5.5	70.0	5.1	76.7	9.6	46.7	7.2	35.3	5.4
Jul	2,153.0	5.9	1,161.3	6.3	172.9	3.6	78.7	5.7	357.4	5.4	1,315.9	6.2	246.8	5.2	70.0	4.0	79.4	7.6	48.3	6.8	35.2	5.1
Aug	2,162.4	6.0	1,160.2	6.5	173.6	4.1	79.1	4.9	361.8	5.7	1,316.5	6.3	248.9	5.3	70.4	5.2	80.3	7.0	50.0	5.7	34.6	4.4
Sep	2,156.9	5.9	1,154.4	6.2	173.2	4.7	79.1	5.3	359.8	6.4	1,310.8	6.1	252.5	4.9	70.3	6.3	81.0	5.4	49.3	5.7	33.3	4.3
Oct	2,156.8	5.4	1,152.1	5.4	173.4	4.7	79.3	4.8	360.9	5.9	1,308.1	5.3	254.5	4.9	71.1	5.7	81.8	5.1	47.6	6.1	32.7	4.4
Nov	2,157.2	4.8	1,160.8	4.5	171.2	4.4	80.1	5.2	356.5	5.7	1,316.8	4.5	252.4	4.4	70.8	5.2	83.4	4.8	45.2	6.8	32.1	4.5
Dec	2,165.9	4.5	1,169.5	4.1	169.4	4.0	80.7	4.9	357.4	5.3	1,325.6	4.2	252.6	4.1	68.4	5.4	84.9	4.8	43.5	7.6	33.5	NA
2006 Jan	2,153.1	4.9	1,163.0	4.5	167.0	4.0	81.1	5.5	356.0	5.4	1,318.7	4.6	250.3	4.1	66.8	6.4	84.7	5.8	42.4	9.4	34.2	NA
Feb	2,144.3	5.1	1,152.3	4.8	168.0	3.8	81.2	5.0	360.9	5.3	1,307.2	4.8	249.7	5.0	65.9	7.2	84.1	5.8	41.8	9.7	34.7	NA
Mar	2,143.1	5.2	1,149.3	4.8	170.5	3.8	81.4	4.9	364.1	5.3	1,304.2	4.9	249.1	5.5	66.3	6.5	83.5	6.1	41.7	9.1	34.1	NA
Apr	2,158.6	4.8	1,163.7	4.3	173.7	3.5	80.5	4.6	366.9	4.9	1,318.2	4.3	248.6	6.0	66.7	5.7	82.9	5.9	42.1	7.7	33.2	NA
May	2,178.9	4.7	1,178.8	4.2	174.6	4.1	79.7	5.7	368.2	5.1	1,333.3	4.2	252.0	5.3	66.8	4.7	82.3	6.9	43.5	6.4	32.7	NA
Jun	2,199.3	4.5	1,191.4	4.1	176.3	3.6	80.0	5.1	370.4	4.5	1,346.0	4.1	252.4	5.0	70.1	5.7	83.0	6.6	44.8	5.1	32.7	4.4
Jul	2,219.0	4.6	1,204.3	4.4	177.7	3.6	81.3	4.8	372.6	4.4	1,358.8	4.4	255.0	5.0	71.1	6.1	83.6	6.8	45.1	4.7	32.9	NA
Aug	2,225.6	4.8	1,210.7	4.5	178.5	3.5	82.7	3.9	372.9	4.6	1,364.9	4.5	254.4	6.0	72.0	6.1	83.7	6.2	44.2	5.6	33.5	NA
Sep	2,220.5	5.0	1,208.3	4.7	176.2	4.1	83.5	4.1	371.8	4.9	1,362.4	4.7	255.8	5.7	70.2	5.1	82.7	6.3	43.4	6.5	34.1	4.2
Oct	2,220.5	4.7	1,206.9	4.3	174.5	4.4	83.7	4.0	370.2	5.2	1,362.1	4.3	258.5	4.7	70.3	5.5	82.4	5.3	42.4	7.2	34.6	5.2
Nov																						
Dec																						
Average:	year-to-date averages are based on monthy actual data																					
Jan-Oct05	2,123.0	6.2	1,151.4	6.1	169.6	4.6	77.8	5.7	348.9	6.6	1,302.2	6.0	242.6	5.6	69.6	6.1	79.1	7.9	46.4	8.0	34.4	NA
Jan-Oct06	2,191.7	4.8	1,185.9	4.5	174.4	3.9	81.9	4.7	368.6	4.9	1,340.7	4.5	253.5	5.2	69.0	5.9	83.0	6.2	43.1	6.9	33.7	NA
% Change	3.2		3.0		2.8		5.2		5.7		3.0		4.5		-0.8		5.0		-7.0		-2.0	

NOTE: Geographic boundaries changed on January 1, 2005.

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Source: Statistics Canada

10 BC Employment by Class of Worker

	Total Employment		Employees						Self-Employed	
			Total		Public		Private			
	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg	('000)	% Chg
1996	1,816.4		1,489.5		332.1		1,157.4		326.9	
1997	1,860.5	2.4	1,500.4	0.7	336.2	1.2	1,164.2	0.6	360.1	10.2
1998	1,858.4	-0.1	1,474.6	-1.7	333.7	-0.7	1,140.8	-2.0	383.8	6.6
1999	1,894.4	1.9	1,512.9	2.6	345.9	3.7	1,167.1	2.3	381.4	-0.6
2000	1,931.3	1.9	1,574.7	4.1	358.9	3.8	1,215.9	4.2	356.6	-6.5
2001	1,921.6	-0.5	1,570.1	-0.3	350.8	-2.3	1,219.3	0.3	351.4	-1.5
2002	1,965.0	2.3	1,601.7	2.0	353.6	0.8	1,248.1	2.4	363.3	3.4
2003	2,014.7	2.5	1,638.4	2.3	360.5	2.0	1,277.9	2.4	376.3	3.6
2004	2,062.7	2.4	1,671.3	2.0	366.6	1.7	1,304.7	2.1	391.4	4.0
2005	2,130.5	3.3	1,714.8	2.6	369.8	0.9	1,345.0	3.1	415.8	6.2
	seasonally adjusted									
2005 Jan	2,102.4		1,697.9		367.2		1,330.7		404.5	
Feb	2,103.1	0.0	1,694.3	-0.2	370.2	0.8	1,324.2	-0.5	408.8	1.1
Mar	2,104.5	0.1	1,689.6	-0.3	355.5	-4.0	1,334.0	0.7	414.9	1.5
Apr	2,116.9	0.6	1,702.7	0.8	365.5	2.8	1,337.2	0.2	414.2	-0.2
May	2,130.7	0.7	1,736.3	2.0	376.7	3.1	1,359.6	1.7	394.5	-4.8
Jun	2,123.8	-0.3	1,717.8	-1.1	379.7	0.8	1,338.0	-1.6	406.0	2.9
Jul	2,128.8	0.2	1,708.9	-0.5	376.9	-0.7	1,332.0	-0.4	419.9	3.4
Aug	2,137.0	0.4	1,718.8	0.6	373.8	-0.8	1,345.0	1.0	418.1	-0.4
Sep	2,132.4	-0.2	1,713.0	-0.3	368.8	-1.3	1,344.2	-0.1	419.3	0.3
Oct	2,148.7	0.8	1,715.4	0.1	367.7	-0.3	1,347.7	0.3	433.3	3.3
Nov	2,169.0	0.9	1,743.9	1.7	367.2	-0.1	1,376.7	2.2	425.1	-1.9
Dec	2,167.1	-0.1	1,736.6	-0.4	368.8	0.4	1,367.8	-0.6	430.5	1.3
2006 Jan	2,166.9	0.0	1,756.3	1.1	382.3	3.7	1,374.0	0.5	410.7	-4.6
Feb	2,175.9	0.4	1,767.1	0.6	372.8	-2.5	1,394.3	1.5	408.9	-0.4
Mar	2,189.0	0.6	1,772.5	0.3	382.1	2.5	1,390.5	-0.3	416.5	1.9
Apr	2,192.8	0.2	1,787.9	0.9	384.8	0.7	1,403.1	0.9	405.0	-2.8
May	2,193.6	0.0	1,794.4	0.4	388.2	0.9	1,406.2	0.2	399.2	-1.4
Jun	2,191.8	-0.1	1,802.1	0.4	390.4	0.6	1,411.7	0.4	389.7	-2.4
Jul	2,195.6	0.2	1,792.8	-0.5	395.0	1.2	1,397.7	-1.0	402.8	3.4
Aug	2,193.4	-0.1	1,768.7	-1.3	389.3	-1.4	1,379.4	-1.3	424.7	5.4
Sep	2,200.7	0.3	1,774.3	0.3	398.2	2.3	1,376.2	-0.2	426.3	0.4
Oct	2,214.0	0.6	1,786.1	0.7	399.0	0.2	1,387.1	0.8	427.9	0.4
Nov										
Dec										
Average:										
Jan-Oct05	2,122.8		1,709.5		370.2		1,339.3		413.4	
Jan-Oct06	2,191.4		1,780.2		388.2		1,392.0		411.2	
% Change	3.2		4.1		4.9		3.9		-0.5	

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Labour Force Statistics

This report is based on statistics from the Labour Force Survey produced monthly by Statistics Canada. Questions and comments should be directed to Data Services at (250)387-0327 or write to BC.Stats@gov.bc.ca.

Definitions and Explanatory Notes

Reference Week

Monthly estimates of employment, unemployment, and persons not in the labour force refer to the specific week covered by the survey each month, normally the week containing the 15th day.

Labour Force

The labour force is composed of those members of the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Employed

Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) did any work at all, or (b) had a job but were not at work due to own illness or disability, personal or family responsibilities, bad weather, labour dispute, vacation, or other reason not specified above (excluding persons whose job attachment was to a job to start at a definite date in the future).

Unemployment

Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, either: (a) were without work, had actively looked for work in the past four weeks (ending with the reference week), and were available for work; or (b) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had been on layoff and were available for work; or (c) had not actively looked for work in the past four weeks but had a new job to start in four weeks or less from the reference week, and were available for work.

Unemployment Rate

The unemployment rate represents the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number of unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

Participation Rate

The participation rate represents the labour force expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The participation rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the labour force for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Employment Rate

The employment rate(employment/population ratio) is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population 15 years of age and over. The employment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the employment for that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Rounding

Estimates published by the Labour Force Survey are rounded to the nearest thousand but all derived values (totals, averages, rates, ratios, percent changes, etc.) are calculated from unrounded figures. Therefore, the sum of the individual rounded items may not equal the total. Unadjusted estimates rounded to hundreds are available from BC STATS on request.

Seasonal Adjustment

Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those which are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods, and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Source: Extracted from Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey, Definitions and Explanations